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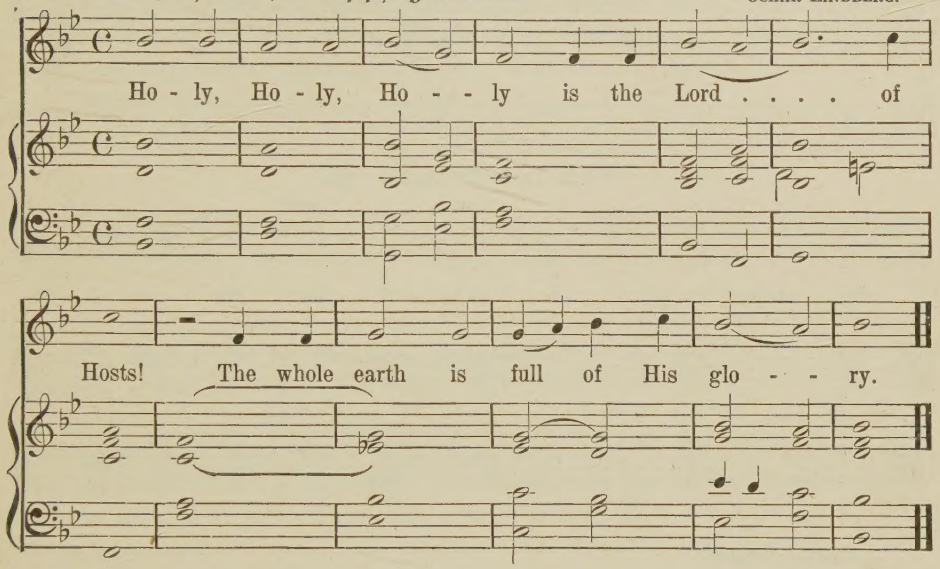
The Service

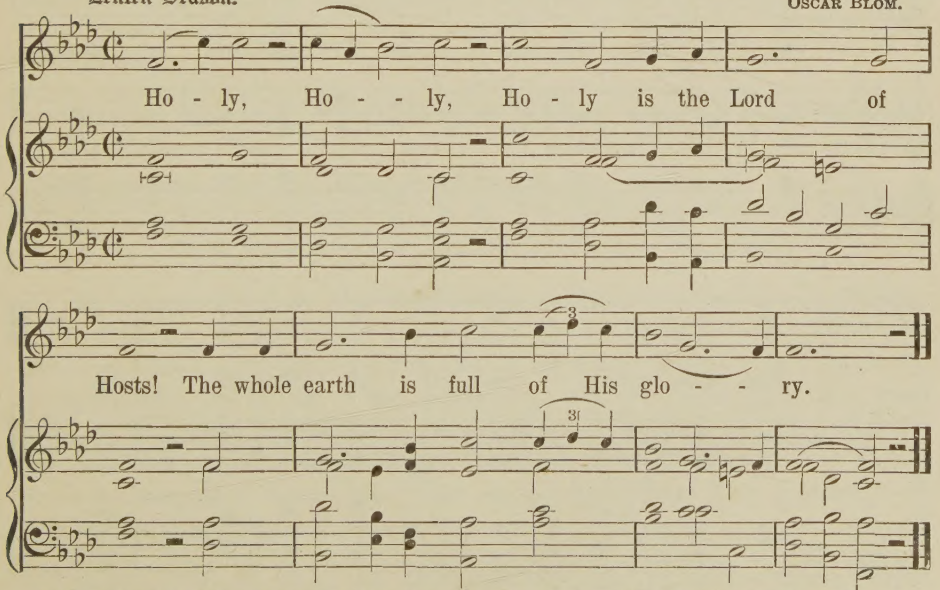
Morning

The Service shall begin with an appropriate **Hymn.** *During the singing the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar and kneel in prayer. After the singing he shall rise, turn to the Congregation, and sing or say:**

Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Seasons. OSKAR LINDBERG.



Lenten Season. OSCAR BLOM.



* For the Introit which may be used at this place in the Service on Festival Days see pp. 581 to 593.

Easter and Pentecost Seasons.

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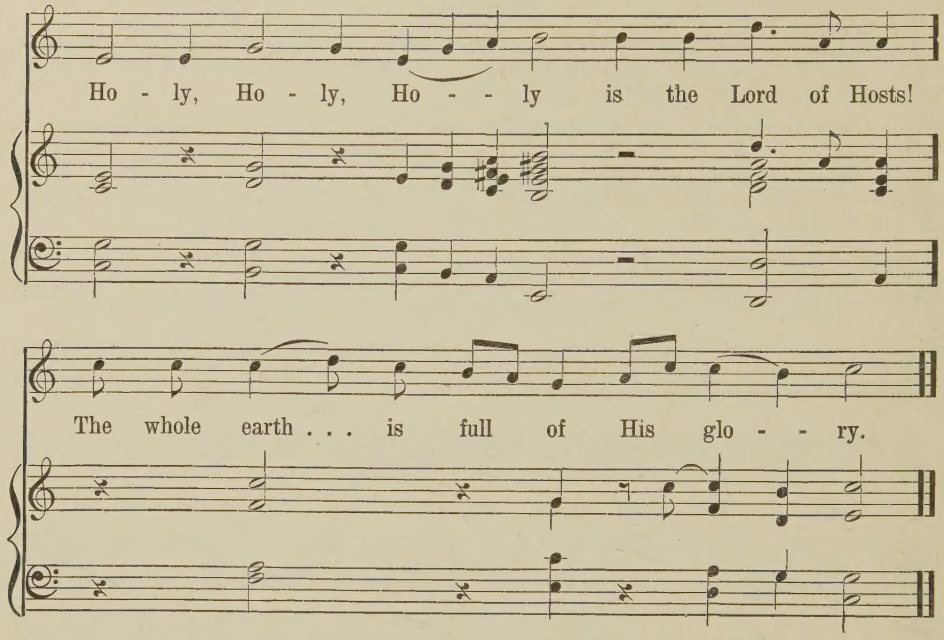

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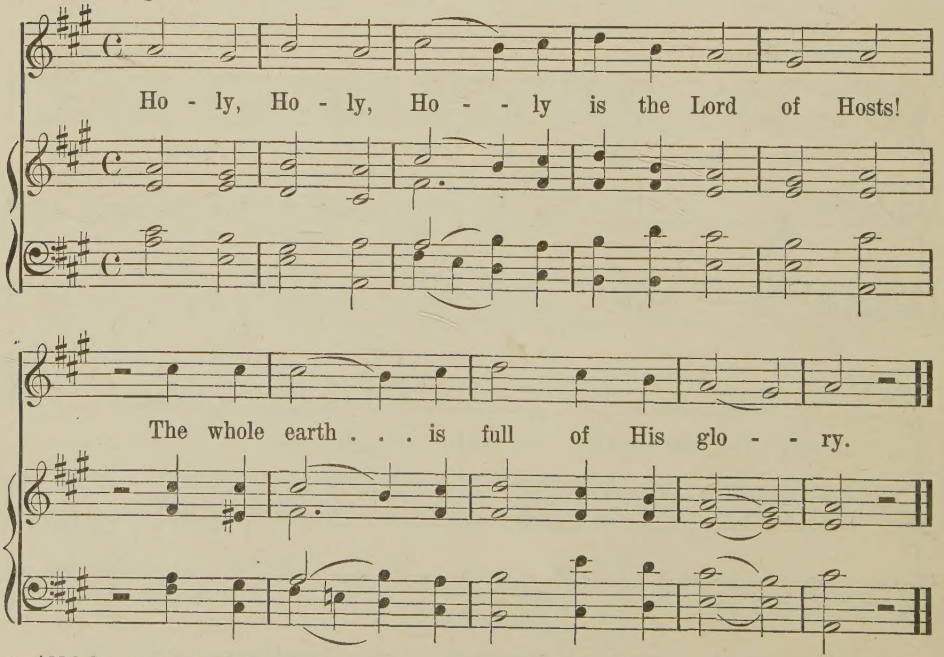


* Melody and tenor may be sung as a duet.

Thereafter the **Minister** *shall say:*

The Lord is in His holy temple; His throne is in heaven. The Lord is nigh unto them that are of an humble and contrite spirit. He heareth the supplications of the penitent and inclineth to their prayers. Let us therefore draw near with boldness unto His throne of grace and confess our sins:

The Confession of Sins

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and with the* **Congregation** *unite in the following Confession of Sins:*

Holy and righteous God, merciful Father, we confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. We have not loved Thee above all things, nor our neighbor as ourselves, and are worthy, therefore, to be cast away from Thy presence if Thou shouldst judge us according to our sins. But Thou hast promised, O heavenly Father, to receive with tender mercy all penitent sinners who turn unto Thee and with a living faith seek refuge in Thy Fatherly compassion and in the merits of the Saviour, Jesus Christ. Their transgressions Thou wilt not regard, nor impute unto them their sins. Relying upon Thy promise, we confidently beseech Thee to be merciful and gracious unto us and to forgive us all our sins, to the praise and glory of Thy Holy Name.

May the Almighty, Eternal God, in His infinite mercy and for the sake of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, forgive all our sins, and give us grace to amend our lives, and with Him obtain eternal life. Amen.

Or, the following may be used during Lent and on Holy Days:

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Thy lovingkindness: according to the multitude of Thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions; and my sin is ever before me. Against Thee, Thee only, have I sinned, and done that which is evil in Thy sight. Hide Thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

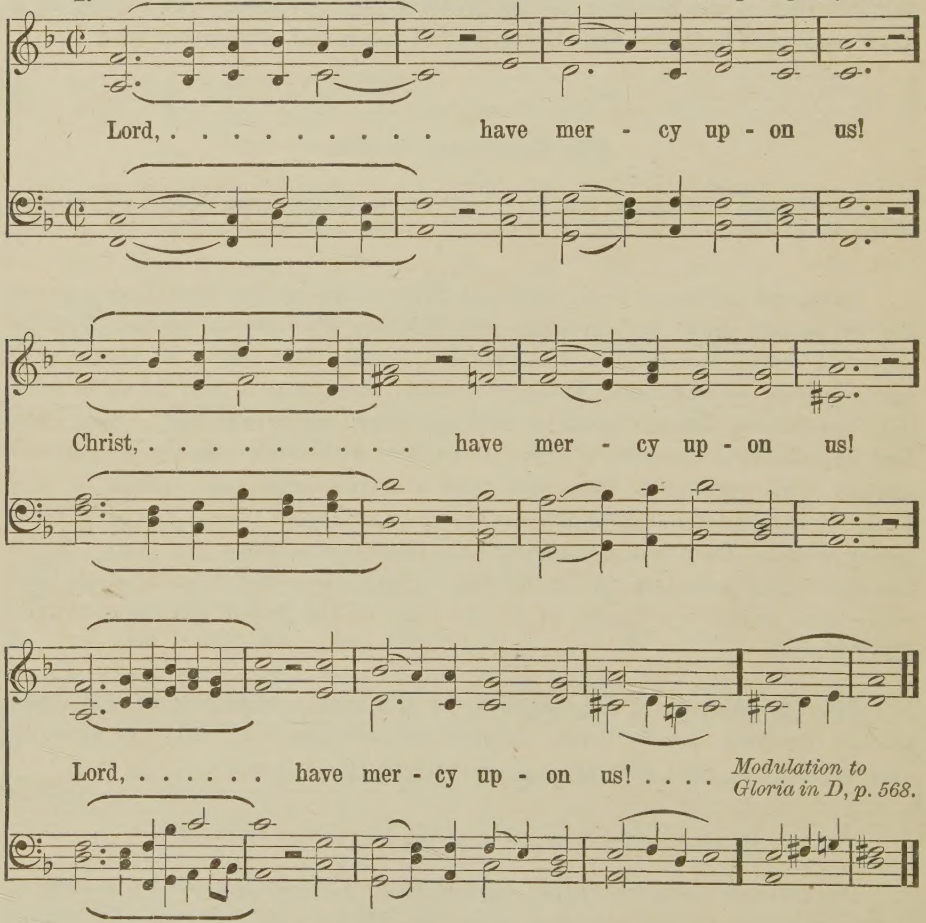
Heavenly Father, hear my prayer for the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Kyrie

The **Minister** *and the* **Congregation** *shall rise and sing:*

Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Seasons.

I. Nürnberger Agende, 1639.



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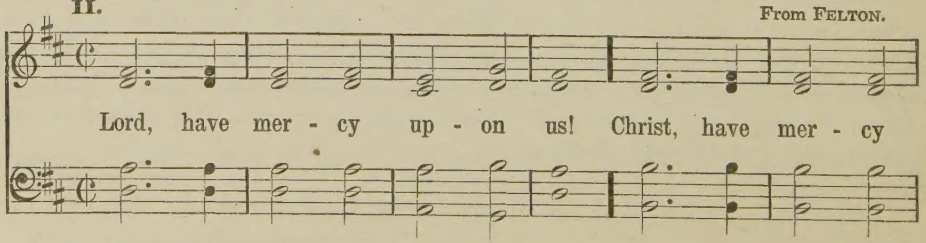
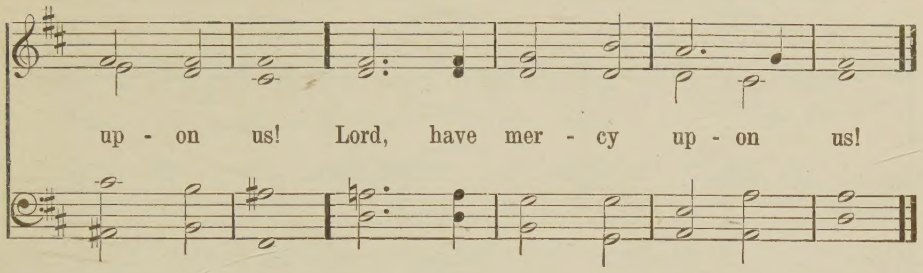
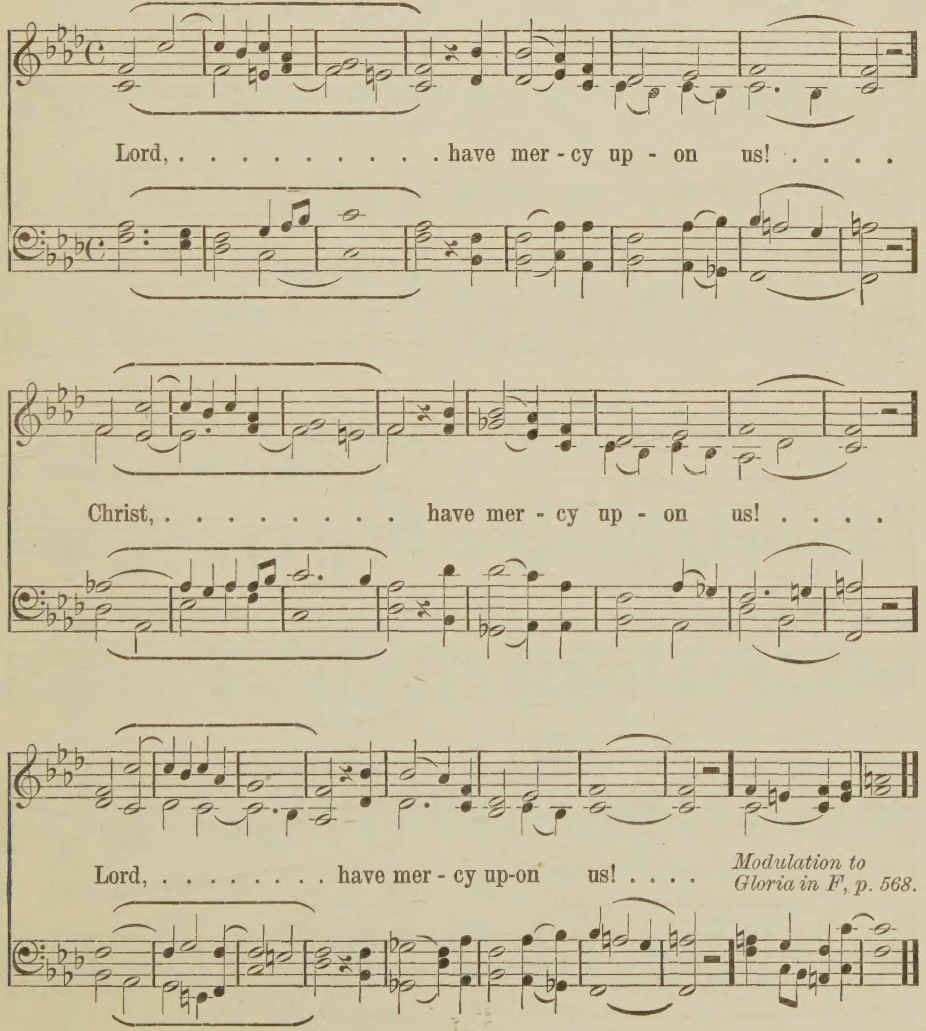




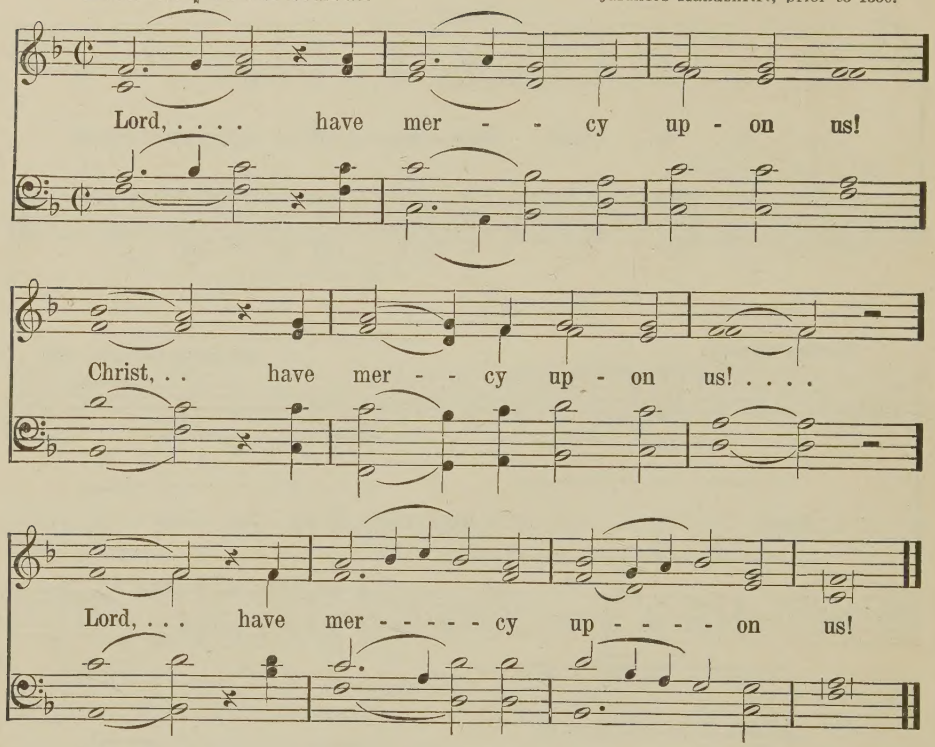
Lenten Season.

Bohemian Brethren, 1556.



Modulation to Gloria in F, p. 568.

Easter and Pentecost Seasons. Bjuråkers Handskrift, prior to 1550.



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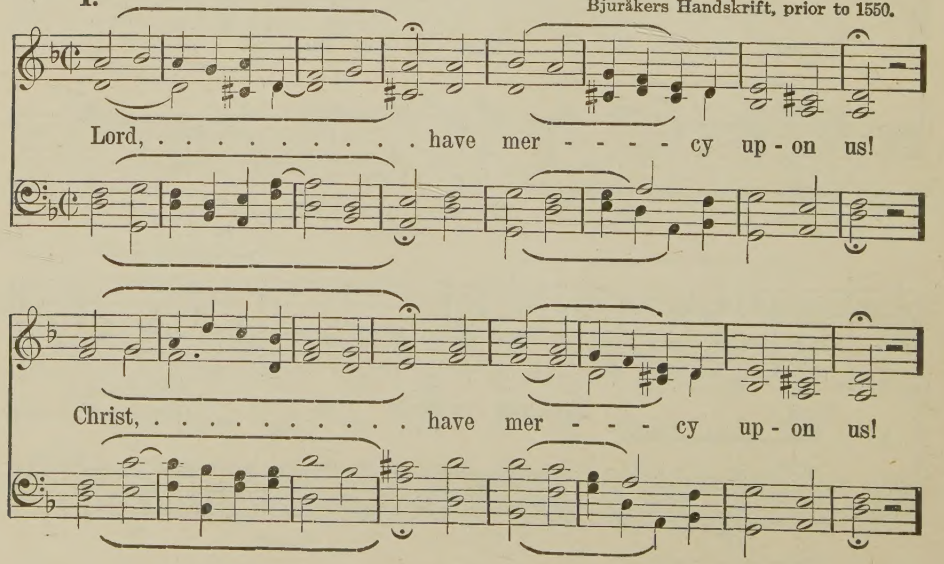

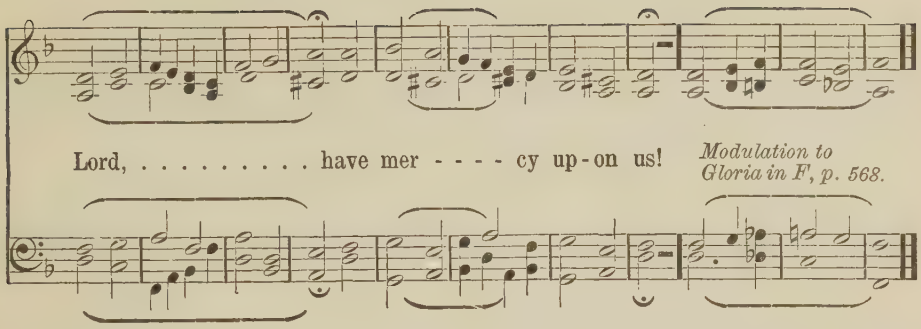

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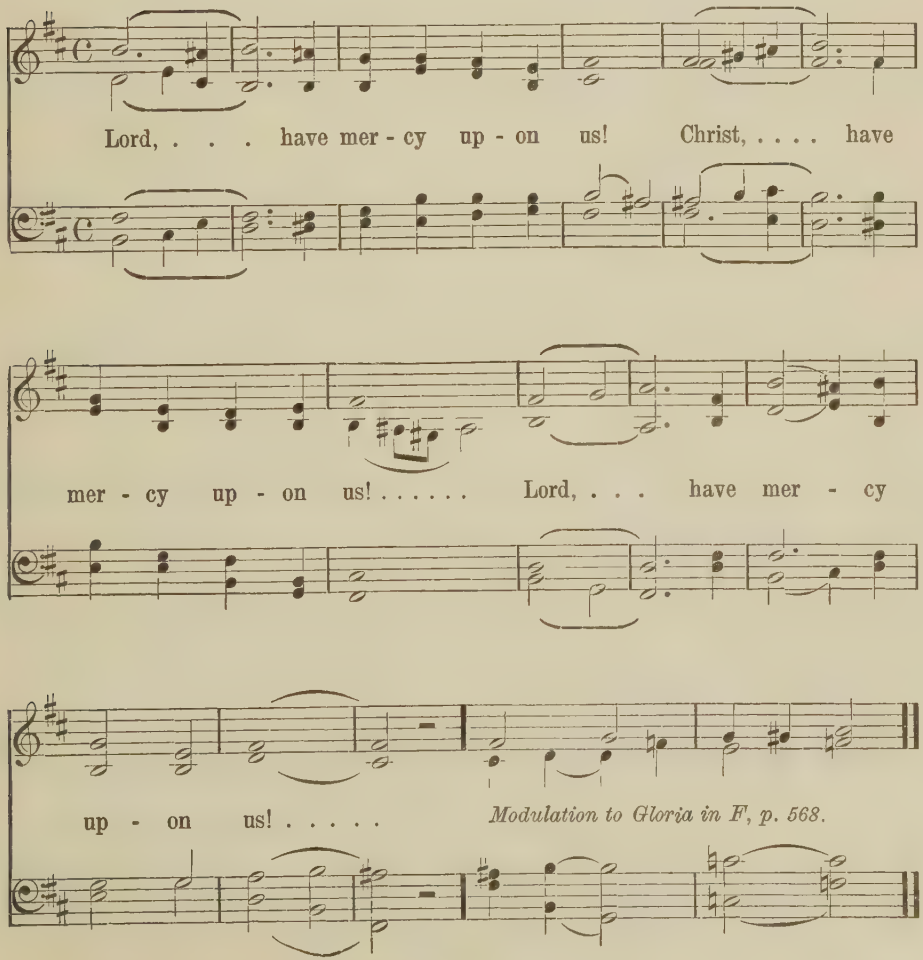

Gloria in Excelsis

The **Minister**, *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

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Lenten and Trinity Seasons.

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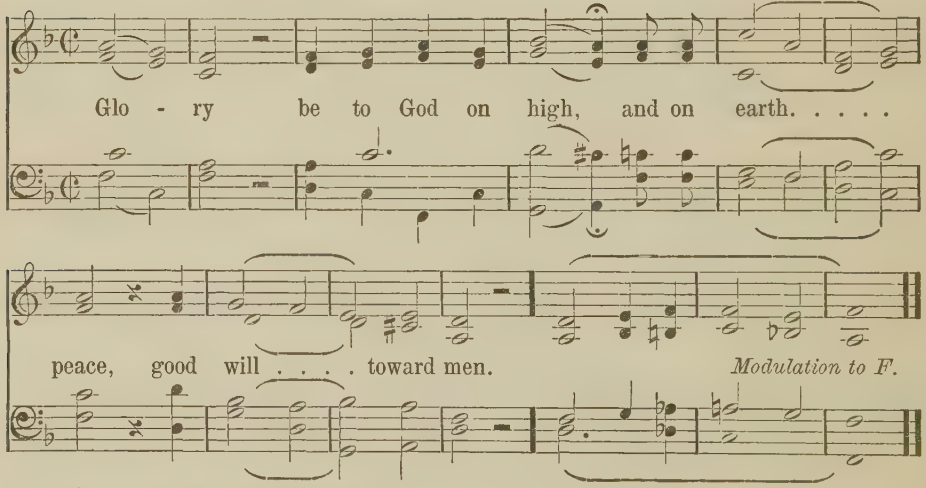

Easter and Pentecost Seasons.

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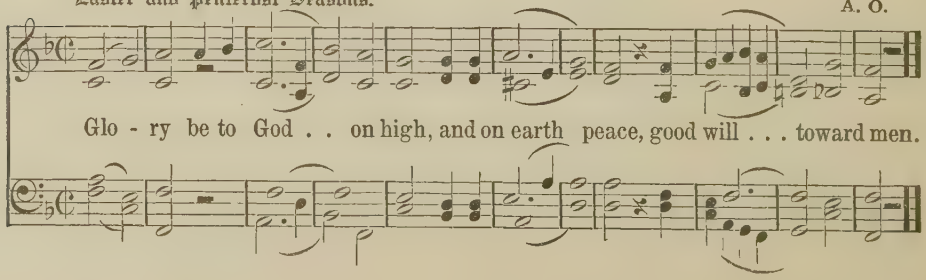
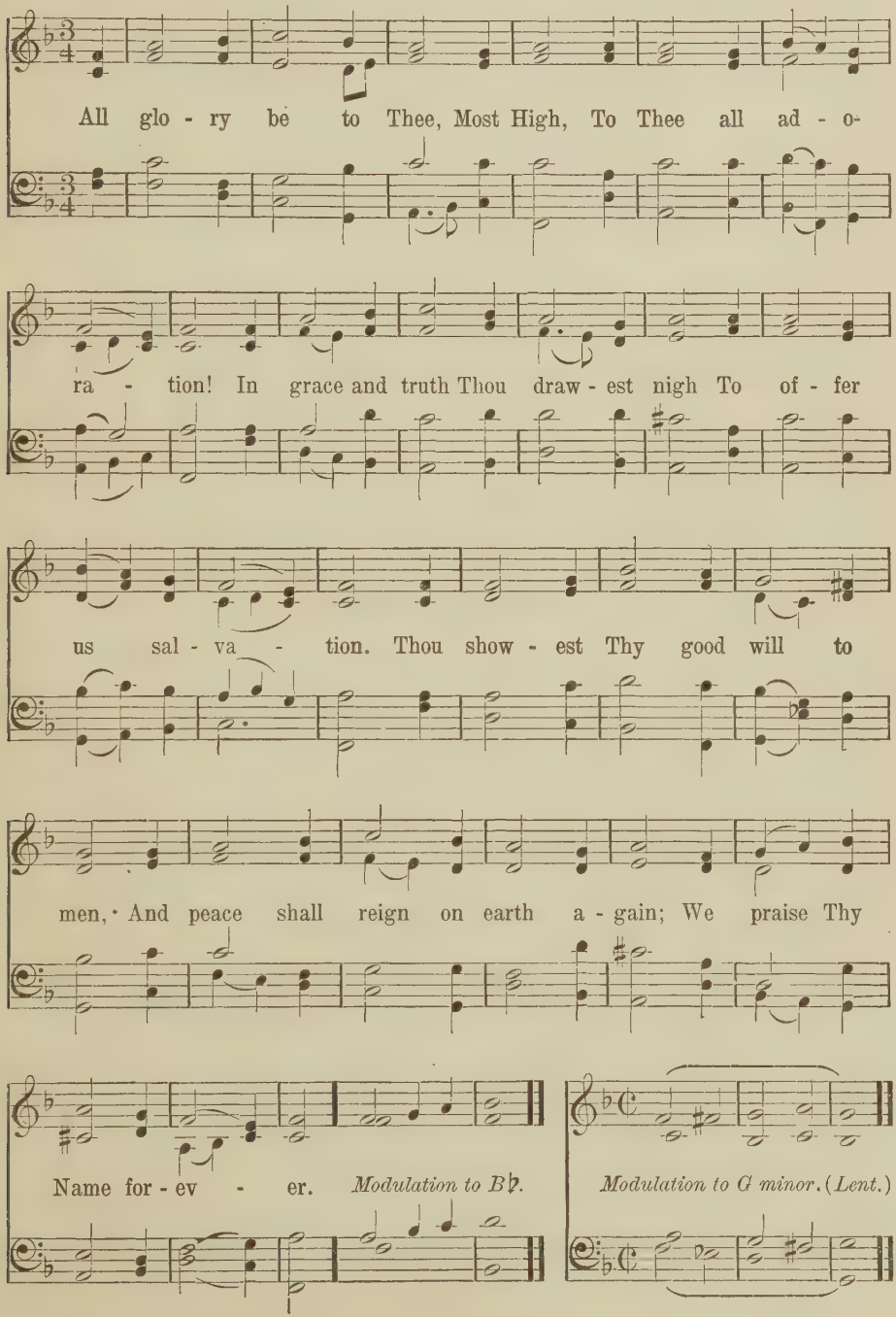


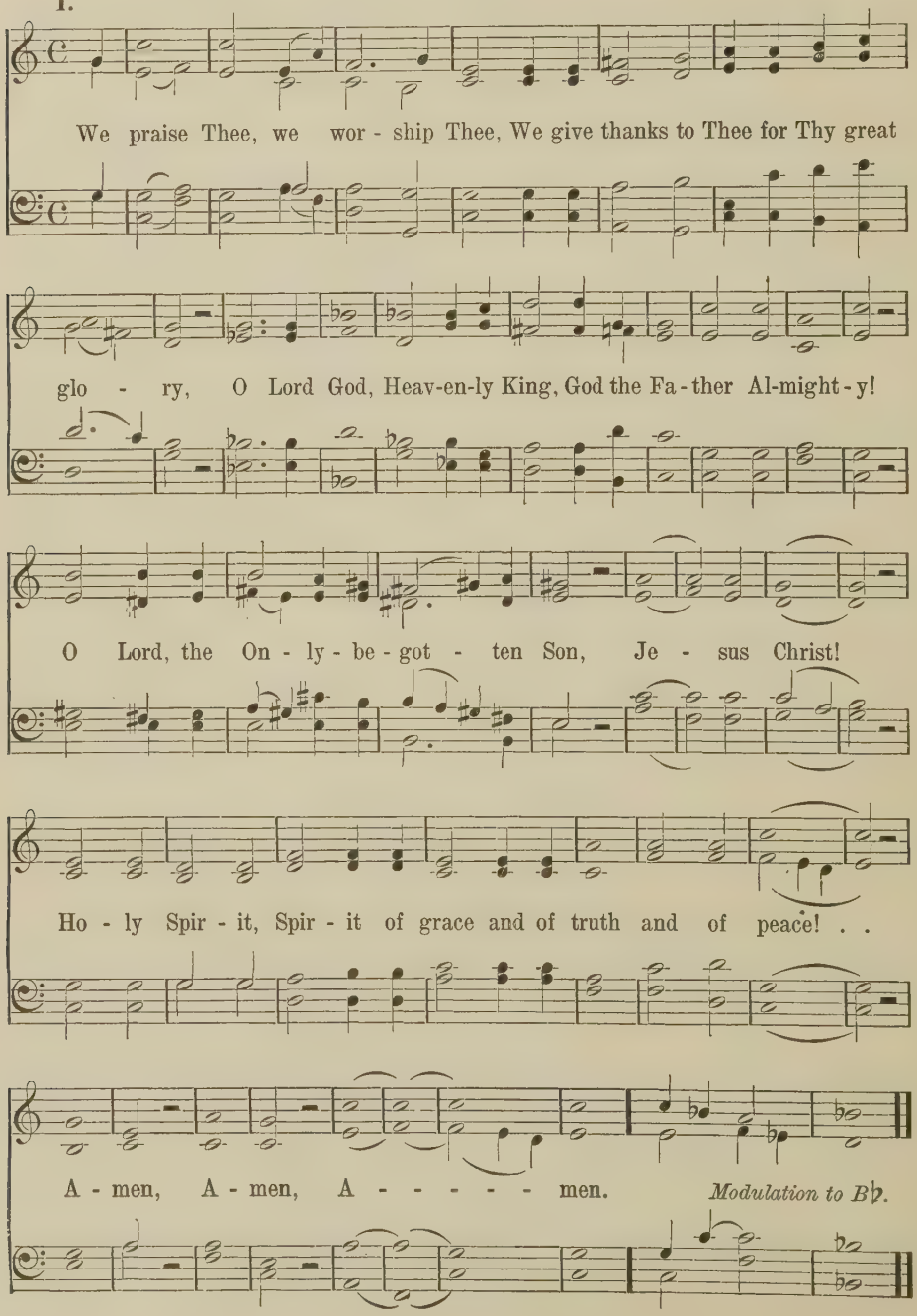
The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and with the* **Congregation** *shall sing:*

NICOLAUS DECIUS ? 1539.

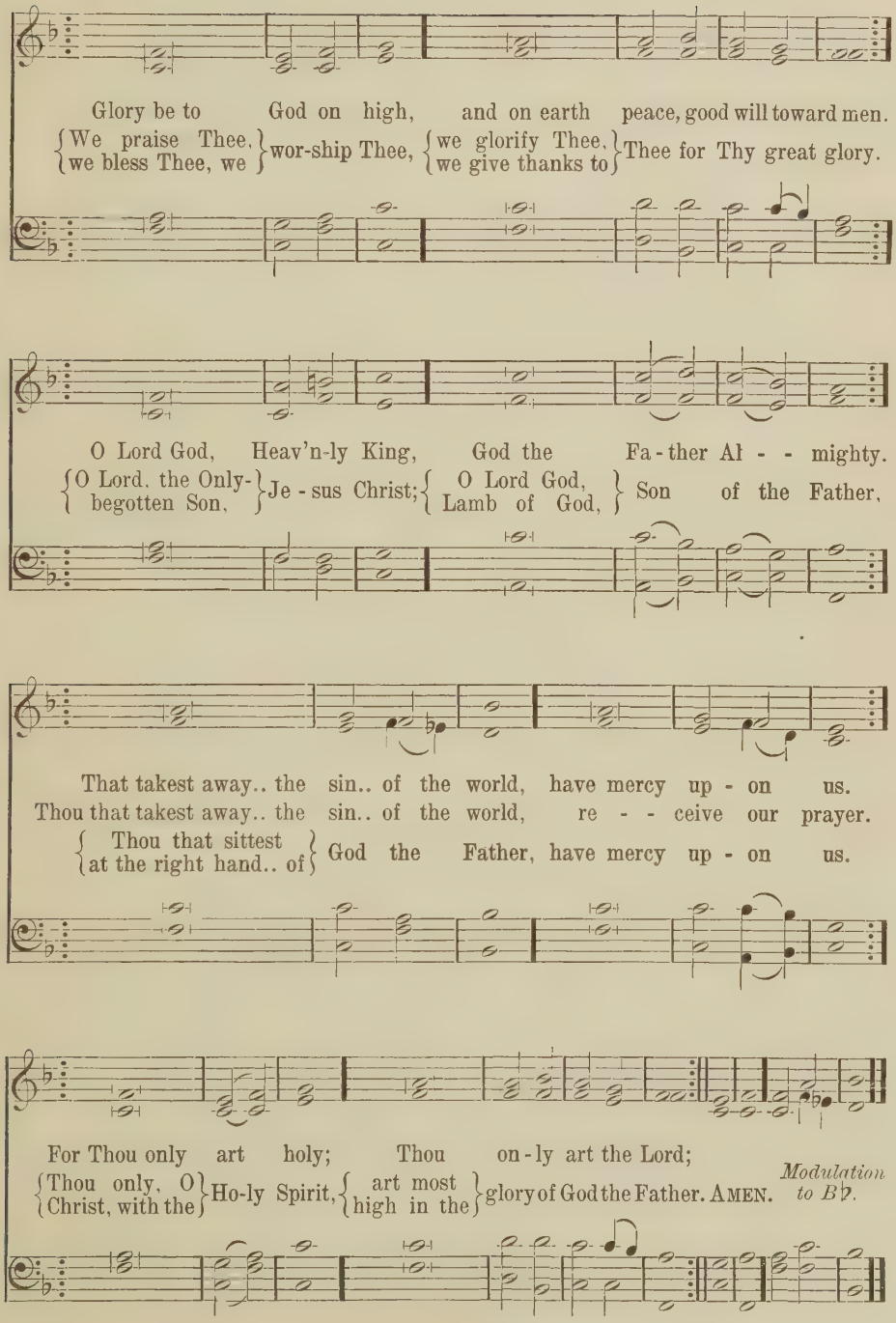

All glo - ry be to Thee, Most High, To Thee all ad - o-
ra - tion! In grace and truth Thou draw - est nigh To of - fer
us sal - va - tion. Thou show - est Thy good will to
men, And peace shall reign on earth a - gain; We praise Thy
Name for - ev - er.
Modulation to B♭.
Modulation to G minor. (Lent.)

On Festival Days, or on any Sunday except during Lent, the following **(I.** *or* **II.)** *may be sung instead of "All glory be to Thee, Most High."*

I.

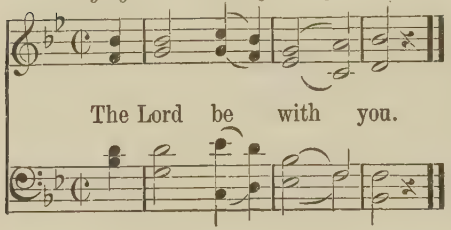

We praise Thee, we wor - ship Thee, We give thanks to Thee for Thy great
glo - ry, O Lord God, Heav-en-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al-might-y!
O Lord, the On - ly - be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ!
Ho - ly Spir - it, Spir - it of grace and of truth and of peace! . .
A - men, A - men, A - - - - - - men.
Modulation to B♭.

II. Old Scottish Chant.

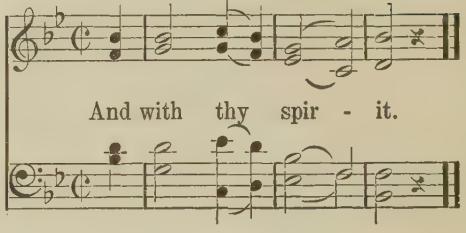

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, Heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - - mighty.
O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
That takest away.. the sin.. of the world, have mercy up - on us.
Thou that takest away.. the sin.. of the world, re - - ceive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand.. of God the Father, have mercy up - on us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord;
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Spirit, art most high in the glory of God the Father. AMEN.
Modulation to B♭.

The Salutation

Then the **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*



The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



Lenten Season

The **Minister:**

The **Congregation:**

Then the **Minister** *shall say:*

Let us pray.

The Collect

The **Minister**, *turning to the Altar, shall read on Sundays and Festival Days the proper Collect. On special occasions one of the following may be used:*

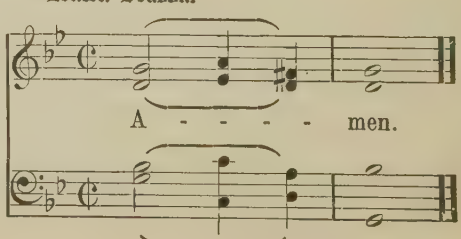
O Lord God, Heavenly Father, Thou Who hast no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that they turn from their way and live: we pray Thee that Thou wouldst mercifully avert the punishment that our sins deserve, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Or:

We beseech Thee, Almighty God, Heavenly Father, to grant us a true faith, a firm hope in Thy mercy, and a sincere love to our fellow men, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

The **Congregation** *shall sing:*

Lenten Season.



The Epistle

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and say:*

The Epistle for (*here he shall name the Sunday or Festival Day*) is written in.....

The Epistle ended, the **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and the* **Congregation** *shall be seated. A* **Hymn** (**The Gradual**) *shall then be sung.*

The Gospel

The Hymn ended, the **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and say:*

Lift up your hearts unto the Lord and hear the Gospel for the Day as it is written in.....

The **Congregation** *shall arise, and the Gospel for the Day shall be read. The Gospel ended, the* **Minister** *and the* **Congregation** *shall say*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; The Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Or:

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By Whom all things were made; Who, for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. Amen.

An **Anthem** *in harmony with the lessons for the day may here be sung. Then shall follow one or more verses of a* **Hymn** *as an introduction to the Sermon. In the meantime the* **Minister** *shall enter the Pulpit.*

The Sermon

The Sermon ended, the **Minister** *shall offer a prayer in his own words or the following:*

Praised be the Lord, and blessed forever, Who by His Word has comforted, taught, exhorted, and admonished us. May His Holy Spirit confirm the Word in our hearts, that we be not forgetful hearers, but daily increase in faith, hope, love, and patience unto the end, and obtain salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Here may be used the prayer to be found in the lectionary of the pastor's altar book after the texts of each Sunday.

The **Church Notices** *may then be given. The* **Announcement of a Death** *within the Congregation may be made as follows:*

We are again reminded that here we have no abiding city. It has pleased the Lord in His infinite wisdom to call from our midst N. N. at the age of.....

The Lord teach us so to consider our own departure, that when the hour is come we may be prepared for a blessed entrance into the heavenly kingdom.

When **Intercession for the Sick** *is requested, the* **Minister** *shall say:*

N. N. and N. N., who are sick, desire to be remembered in the prayers of the Congregation:

Almighty and Eternal God, Thou art the health and strength of them that trust in Thee. We pray Thee that Thou wouldst look in mercy upon the sick and the needy, and especially upon Thy servants for whom we now invoke Thy mighty aid. Turn their distress unto good, and if it be Thy will restore them to health. But above all give them healing for the soul through Thy holy Word. Help them by the remembrance of the bitter passion of Thy Son patiently to bear the affliction with which Thou hast visited them. And finally, when their hour is come, deliver them from all evil and bring them safe to Thy heavenly kingdom; through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Pulpit Office shall conclude with the following:

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen. (2 Cor. 13. 14.)

Or:

The God of all grace, Who called you unto His eternal glory in Christ, after that ye have suffered a little while, shall Himself perfect, establish, strengthen you. To Him be the dominion for ever and ever. Amen. (1 Pet. 5. 10, 11).

Easter and Pentecost Seasons.

Now the God of Peace, Who brought again from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep with the blood of an eternal covenant, even our Lord Jesus, make you perfect in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen. (Heb. 13. 20, 21.)

Trinity Season.

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be the glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus unto all generations for ever and ever. Amen. (Eph. 3. 20, 21).

At the End of the Church Year.

The God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. (1 Th. 5. 23).

The Offering

Then shall an **Offertory** *be played, or an* **Anthem** *sung, during which the* **Offering** *shall be made. The* **Minister,** *having received the offering, shall place it upon the Altar and pray as follows:*

O God, Thou Giver of all good gifts, graciously receive and bless this offering which we Thy people place upon Thine Altar, for Jesus' sake. Amen.*

Then shall the **Congregation** *sing a* **Hymn,** *during which the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar.*

The Salutation

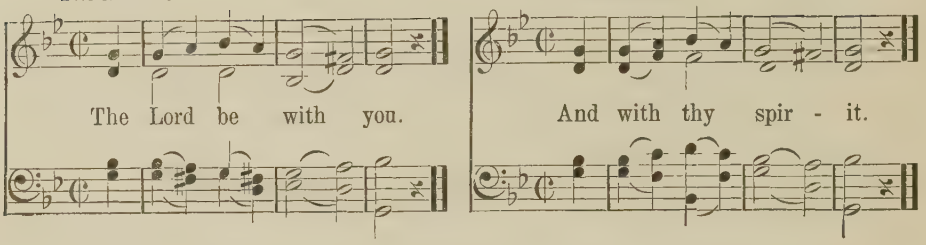
The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*

The **Congregation** *shall sing:*

* A short offertory sentence may then be sung by the Choir. (See pp. 554, 555.)

Lenten Season

The **Minister:** *The* **Congregation:**



The **Minister** *shall say:*

Let us pray.

Turning to the Altar, the **Minister** *shall offer*

The General Prayer*

Almighty and most Merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: We give Thee thanks for all Thy goodness and tender mercies. Be gracious unto us and remember not our sins. Sanctify and guide us through Thy Holy Spirit, and grant that we may walk in holiness of life according to Thy Word. Unite, strengthen, and preserve Thy Church through the Word and the Holy Sacraments. Have mercy, O Lord, on all the nations that walk in darkness and that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, and cause the saving and life-giving light of Thy Gospel to shine graciously upon them.

For Synodical and Conference Meetings. Bless those who are now assembled to deliberate concerning the welfare of Thy Church, that their counsels may further Thy glory and the upbuilding of Thy kingdom among us.

Be Thou the strength and stay of our land. Give it grace and honor. Grant health and prosperity to all in authority, especially to the President (and the Congress) of the United States, the Governor (and the Legislature) of this Commonwealth, and to all our Judges and Magistrates. Endue them with grace to rule after Thy good pleasure, to the maintenance of righteousness, and to the hindrance and punishment of wickedness, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

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* On special Festival Days the prayers prescribed should precede the General Intercession. According to circumstances, those parts of the General Intercession referring to conditions that do not always prevail are omitted, such as the prayers for Church assemblies, for Confirmation Candidates, etc. Occasional prayers shall, when they occur, follow the General Prayer. During Lent and on special occasions the Litany may be used instead of the General Prayer.

Help us, O God, that we may live together in peace and concord, with true and Christian counsel in all that we undertake. Prosper every good work, and turn away from us all harm and evil. May Thy blessing rest upon the fruits of the earth, and give success to every lawful occupation on land and sea.

Let the light of Thy Word ever shine within our homes. Keep the children of the Church in the covenant which Thou hast made with them in Holy Baptism, and give all parents and teachers grace to nurture them in Thy truth and fear. Bless, we pray Thee, the institutions of the Church: its colleges, its seminaries, and all its schools; that they may send forth men and women to serve Thee, in the Ministry of the Word, the Ministry of Mercy, and all the walks of life.

For Catechumens. Regard with special favor those who are being prepared for their first communion. Illumine their hearts and minds, and grant them unfeigned faith that they may ever walk as Thy disciples in the way of truth.

Help and comfort the sick and the poor, the oppressed and those who mourn, the afflicted and the dying. Graciously protect all widows and orphans. Support us in our last hour, and after this transitory life vouchsafe unto us eternal blessedness: through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

The **Congregation** *shall sing:*

Lenten Season.

The Lord's Prayer

The **Minister,** *together with the* **Congregation,** *shall continue:*

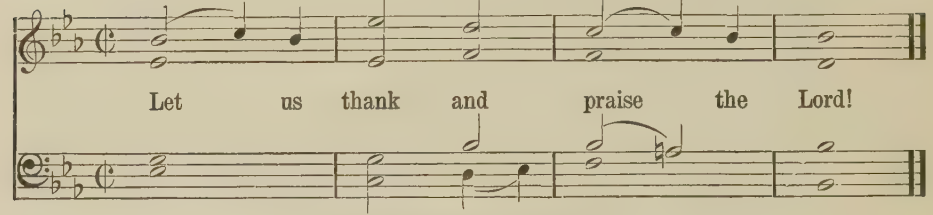
Our Father, Who art in heaven: Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Benedicamus

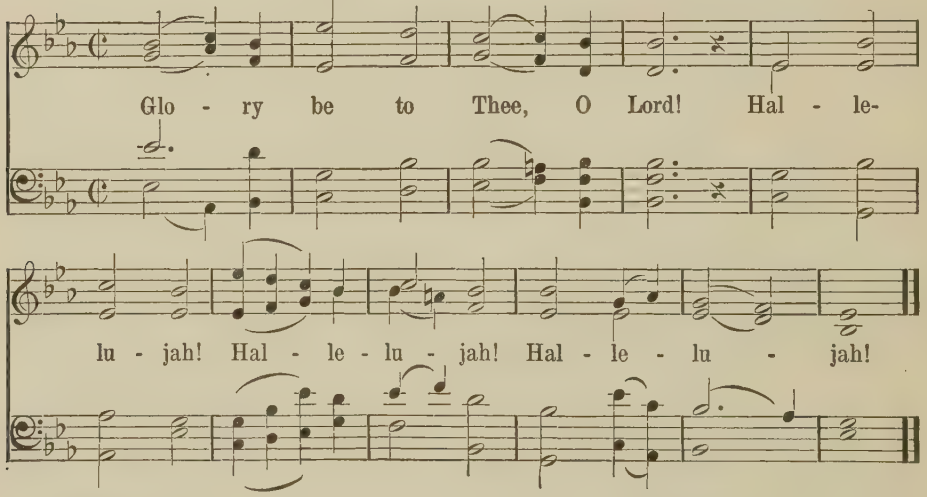
Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Seasons.

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*

Preussische Kirchenordnung, 1525.



The **Congregation** *shall sing:*

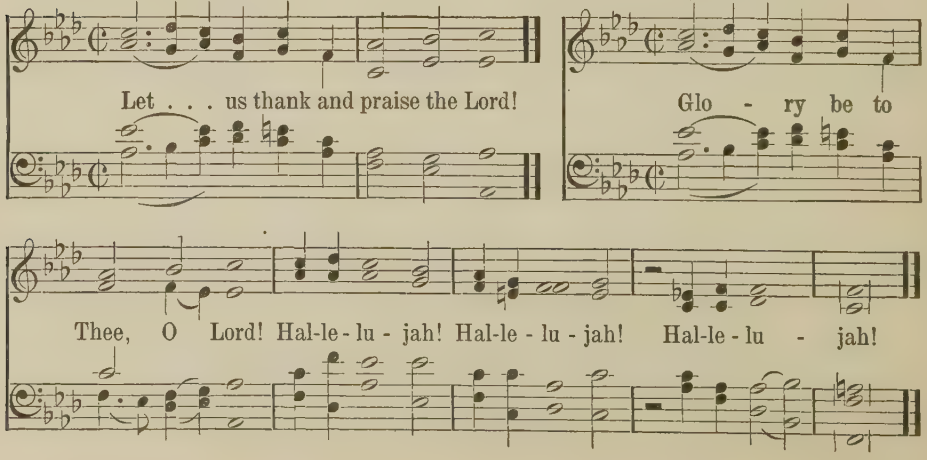


Lenten Season.

The **Minister:**

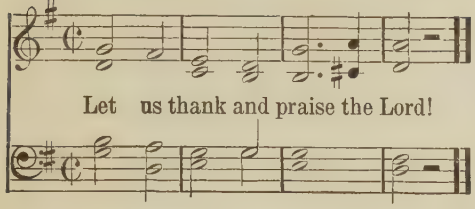
The **Congregation:**

Nürnberger Agende, 1639.



Easter and Pentecost Seasons.

The **Minister:**



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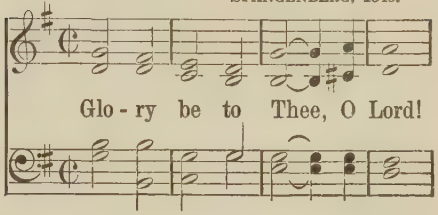

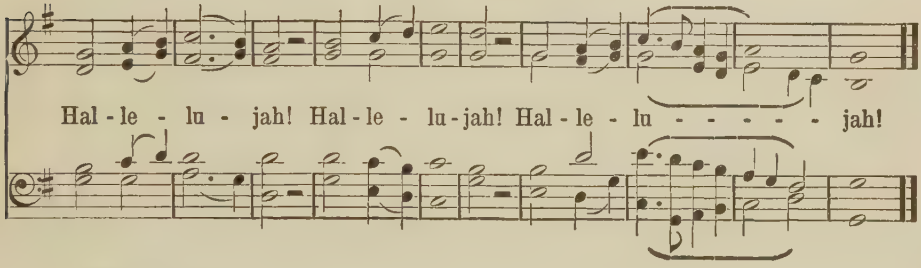

Trinity Season.

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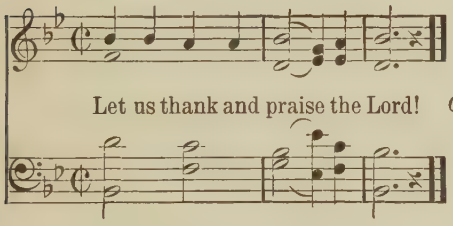

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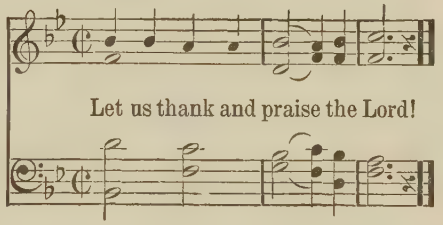

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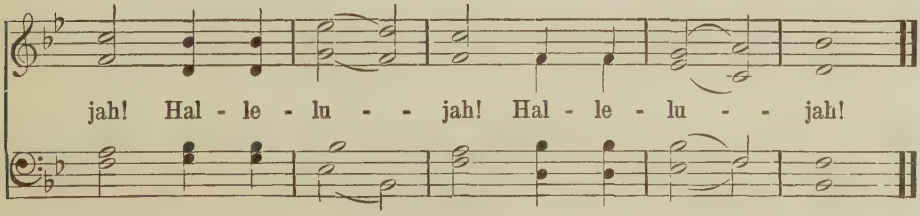


The Benediction

Then shall the **Minister** *say:*

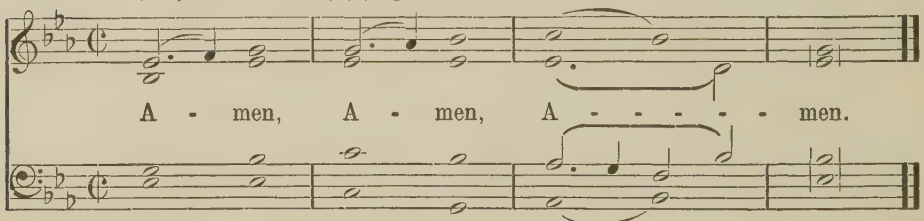
Bow your hearts to God, and receive the Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and the* **Congregation** *shall sing:*

Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Seasons.



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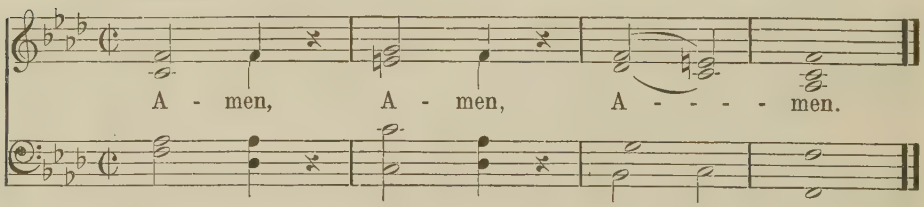
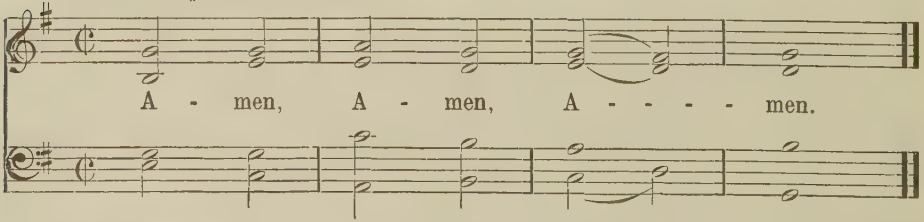


Easter and Pentecost Seasons.



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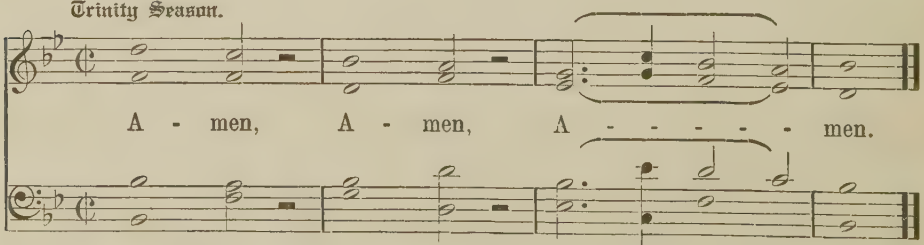


The Service shall close with silent prayer, while the **Congregation** *remains standing and the* **Minister** *kneels before the Altar.*

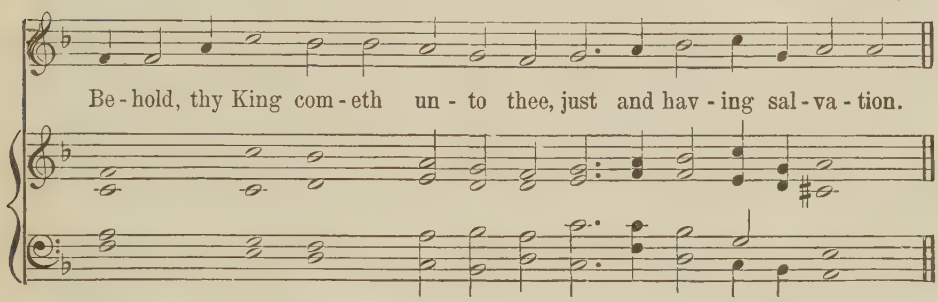
The Introits

After the opening Hymn of the Service, where circumstances permit, the following Introits may be used.

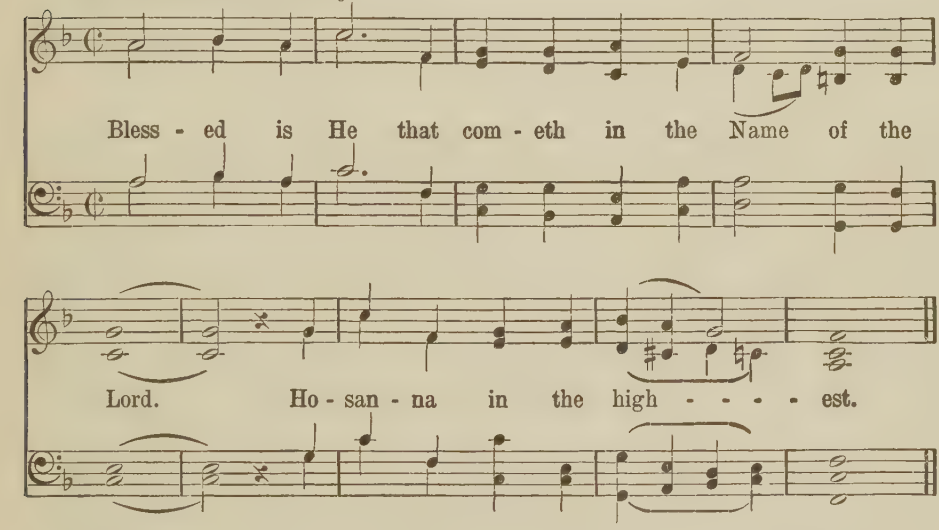
First Sunday in Advent

The **Minister,** *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

GUSTAF HÄGG.



The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



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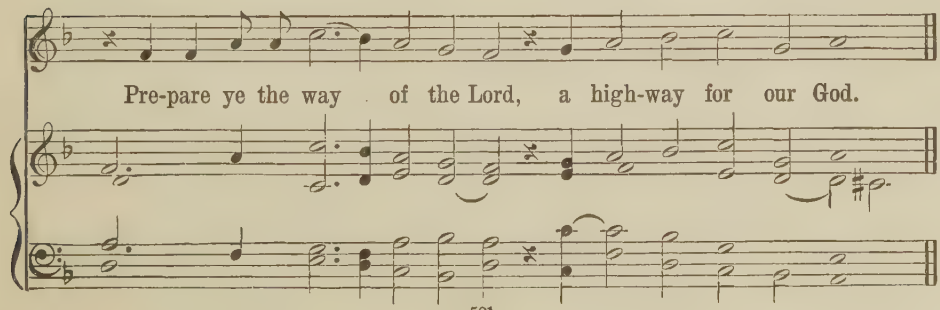

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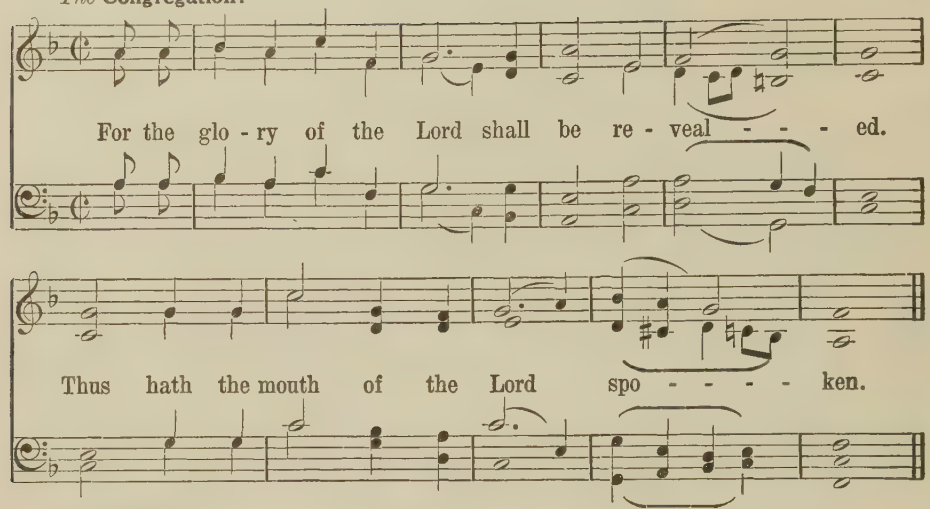

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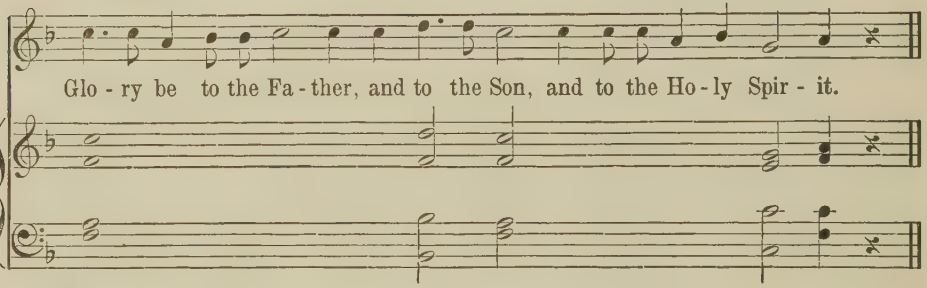

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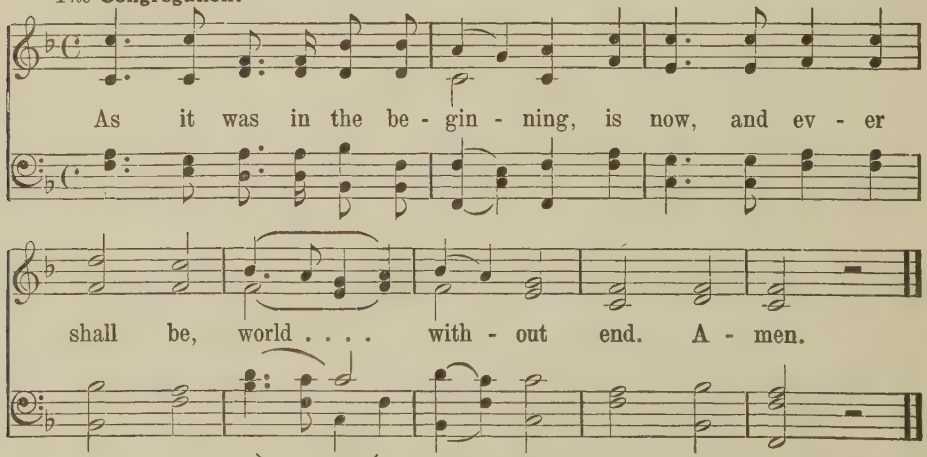


Thereafter the **Minister** *shall say:*

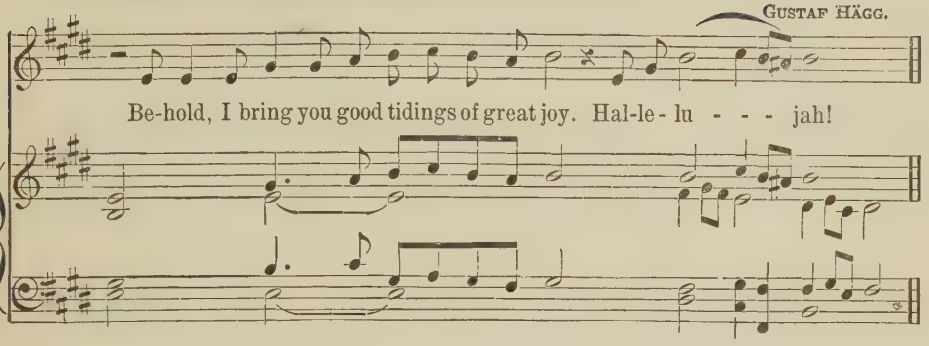
The Lord is in His holy temple, etc.*

*See page 563.

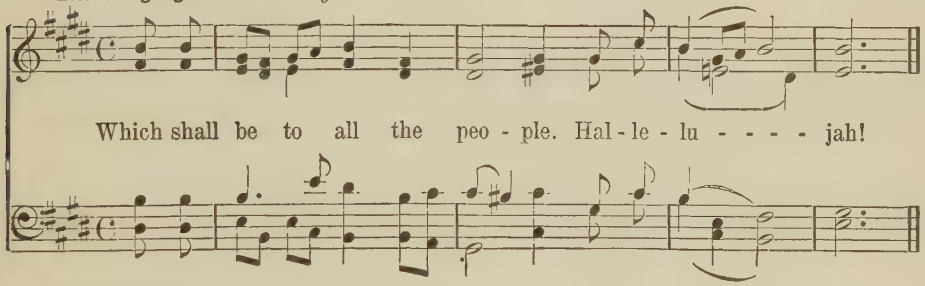
Christmas Day

The **Minister,** *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

GUSTAF HÄGG.



The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



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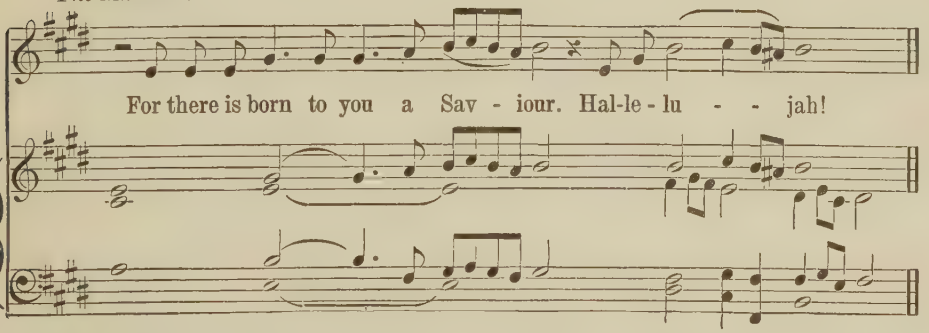

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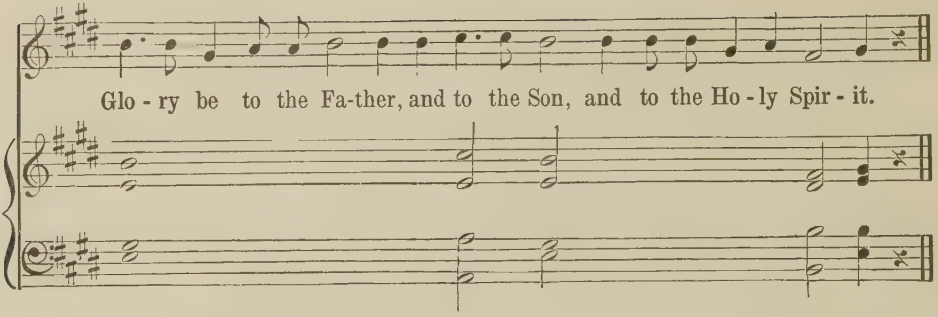

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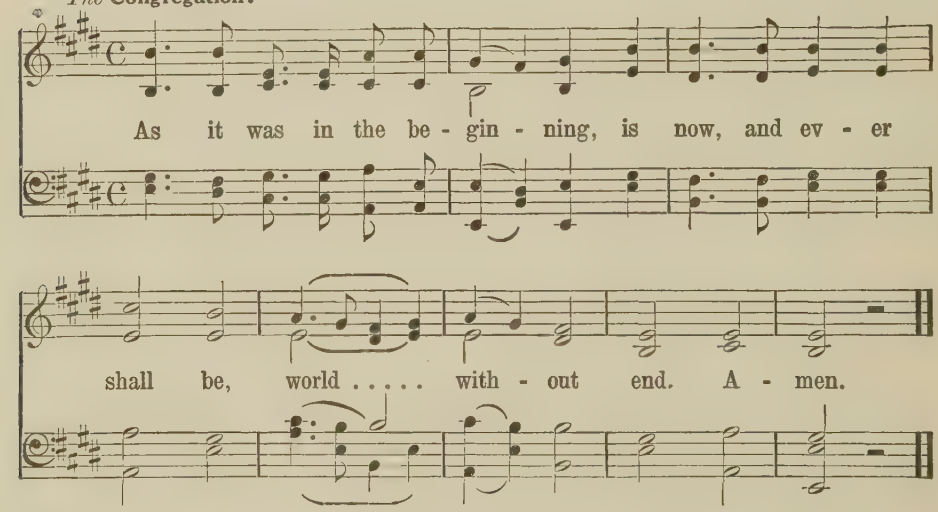


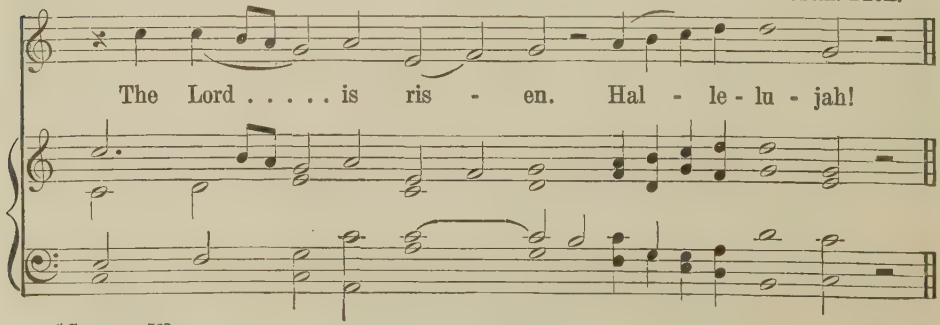
Thereafter the **Minister** *shall say;*

The Lord is in His holy temple, etc.*

Easter Day

The **Minister,** *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

OSCAR BLOM.



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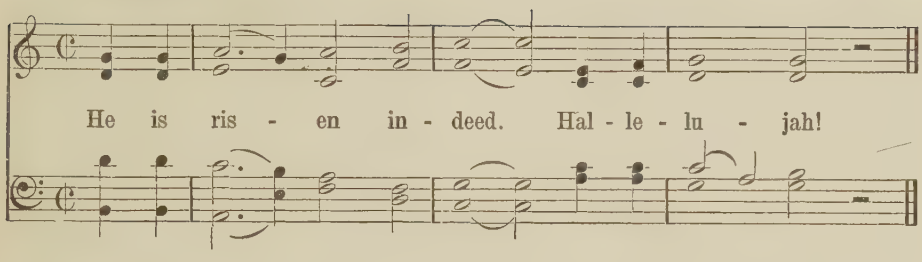
The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



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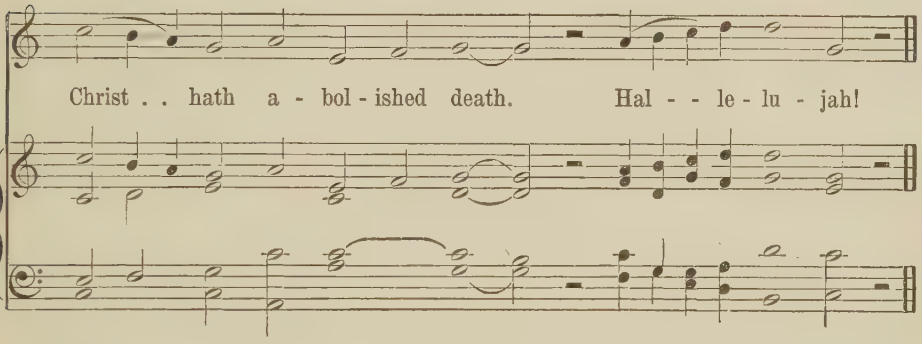

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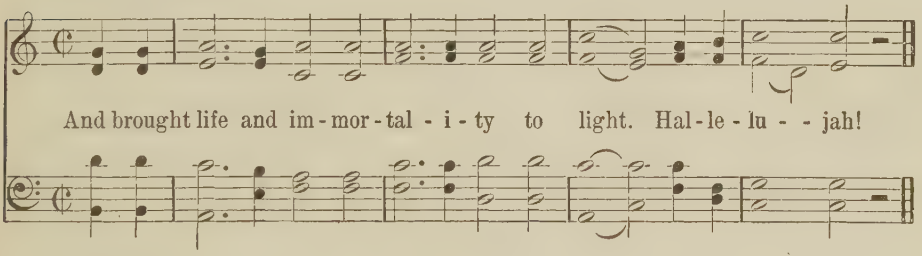

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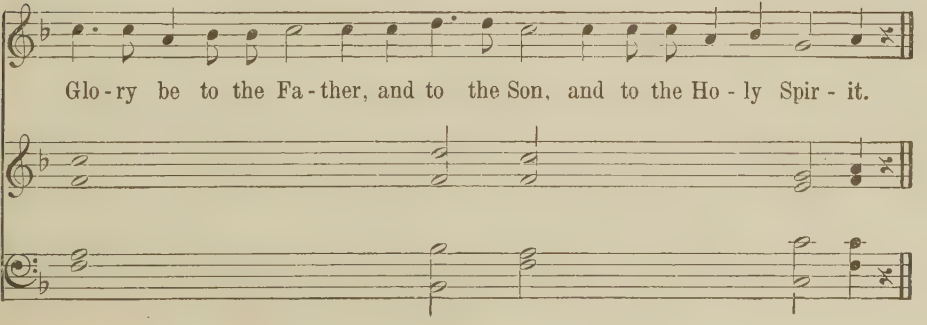

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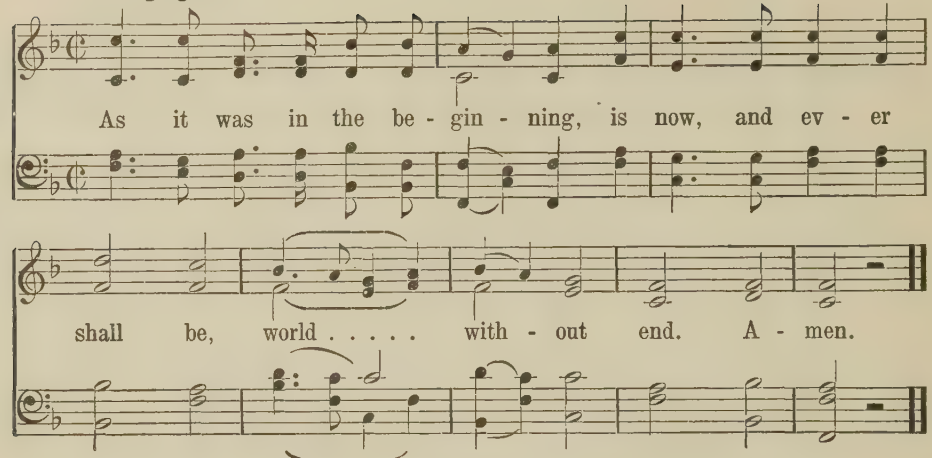


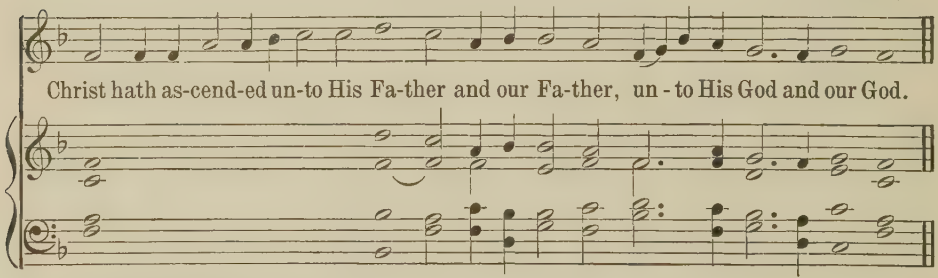
Thereafter the **Minister** *shall say:*

The Lord is in His holy temple, etc.*

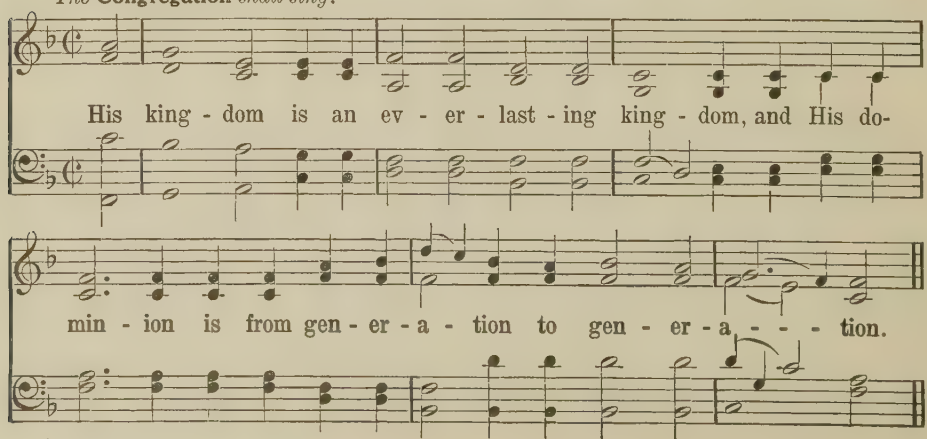
Ascension Day

The **Minister,** *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

OSCAR BLOM.



The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



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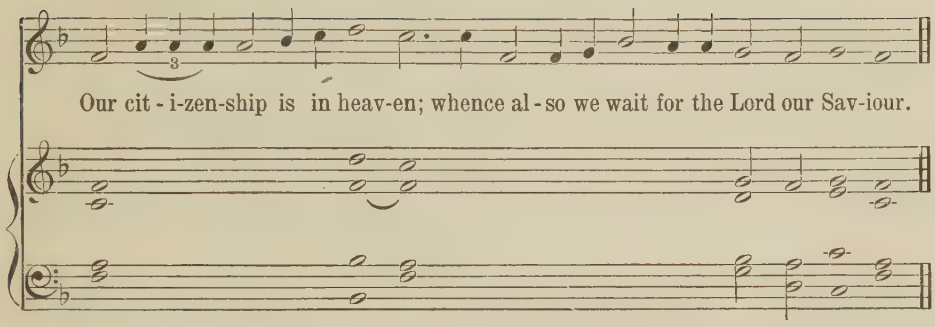

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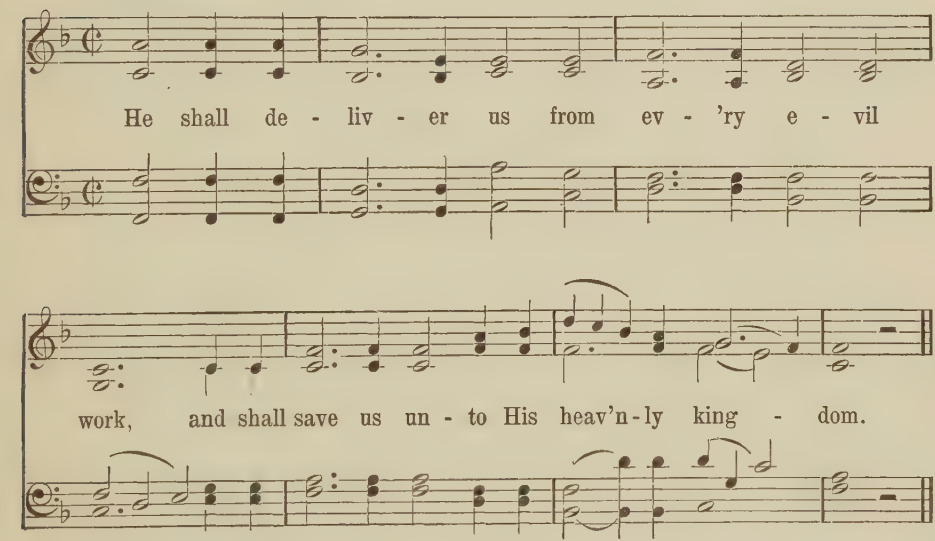

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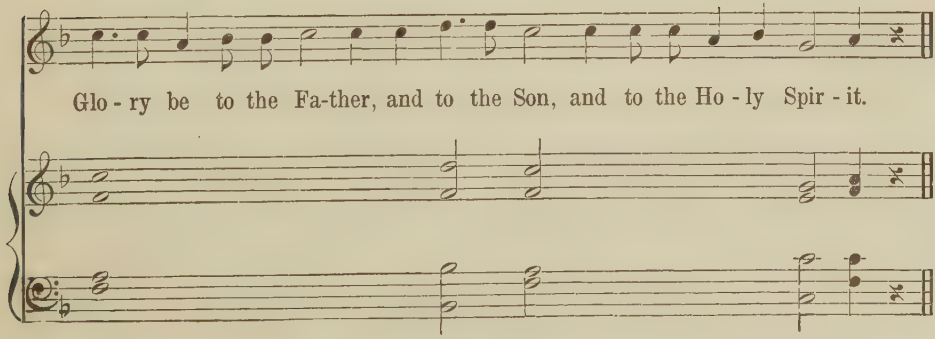

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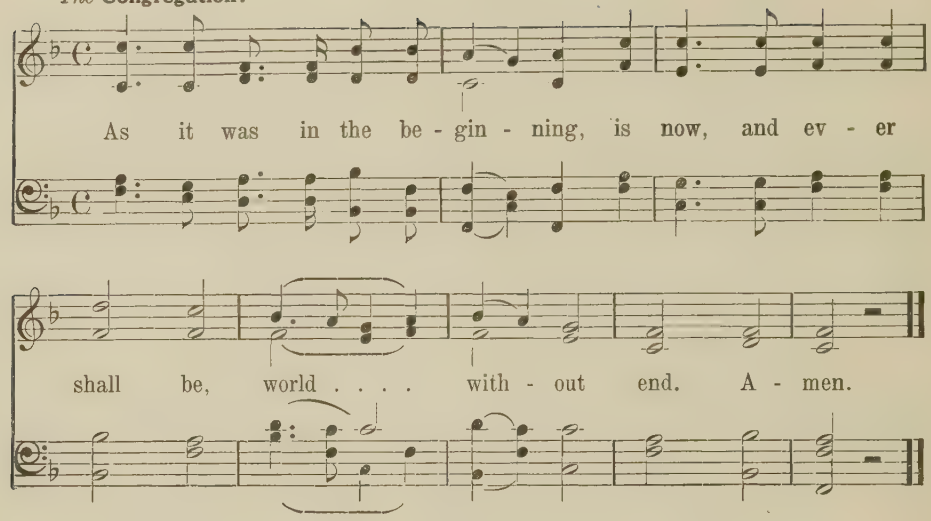

Thereafter the **Minister** *shall say;*

The Lord is in His holy temple, etc.*

Pentecost (Whitsunday)

The **Minister,** *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

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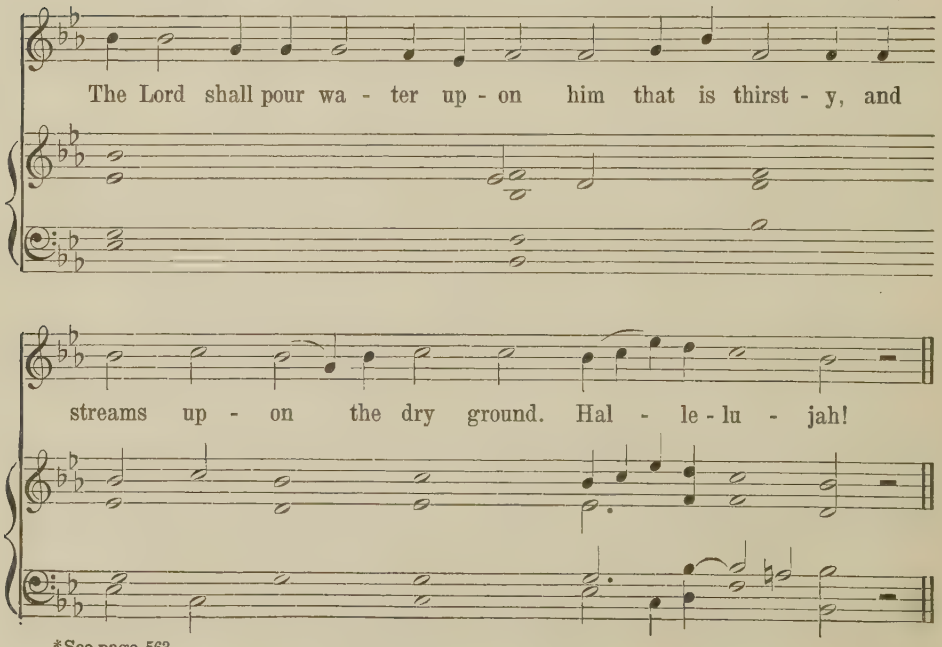

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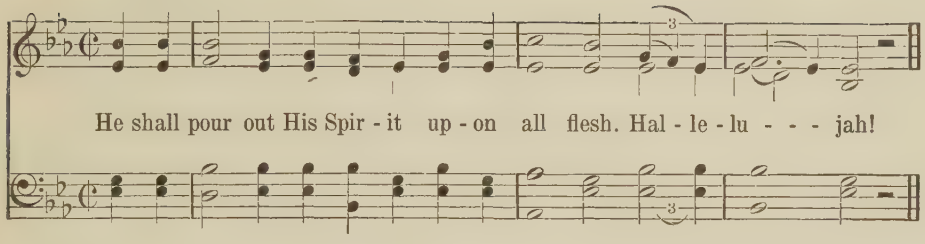
The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



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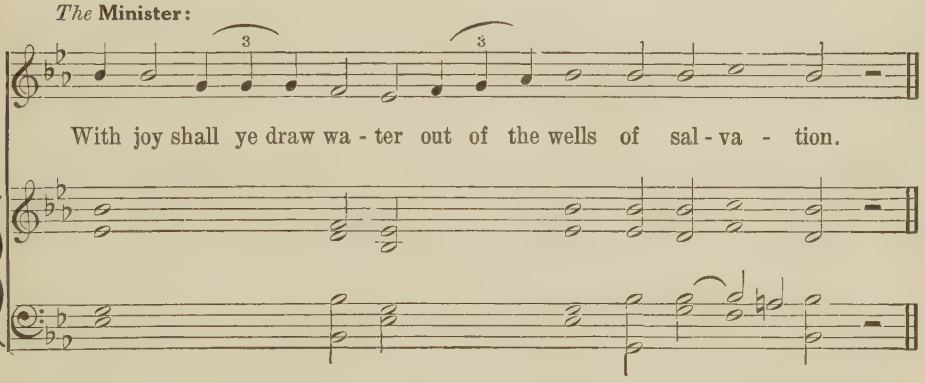

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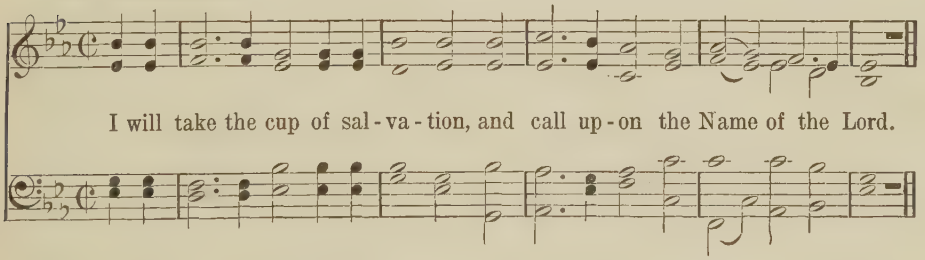

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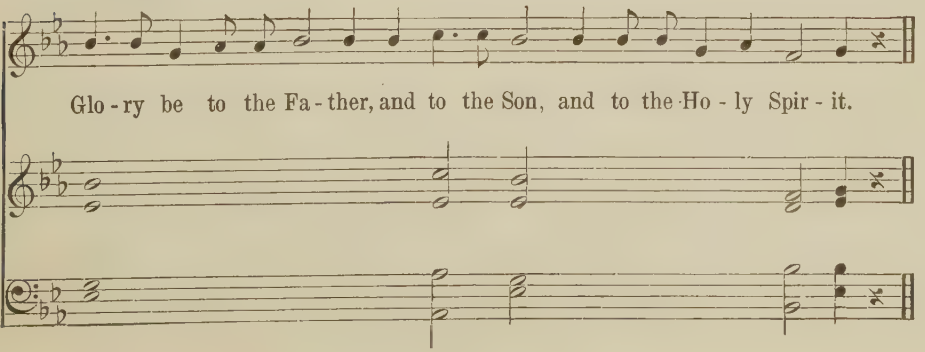

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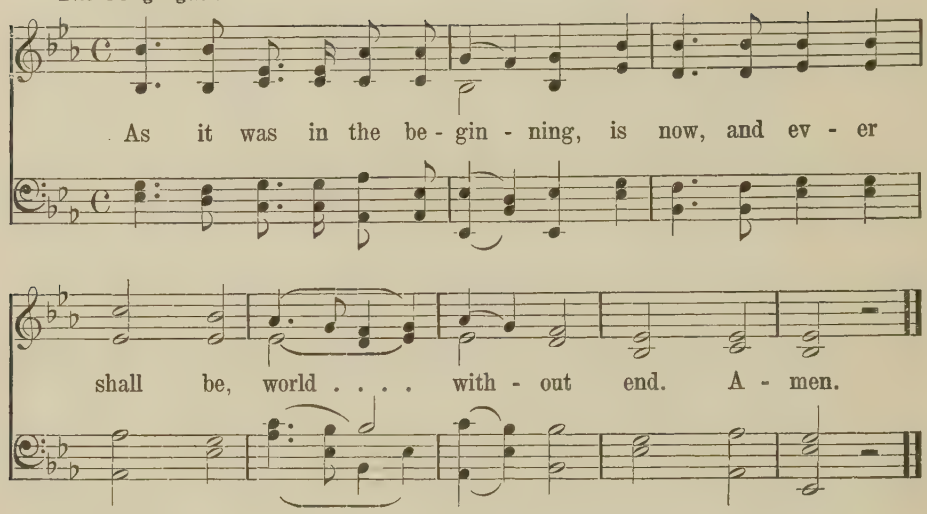


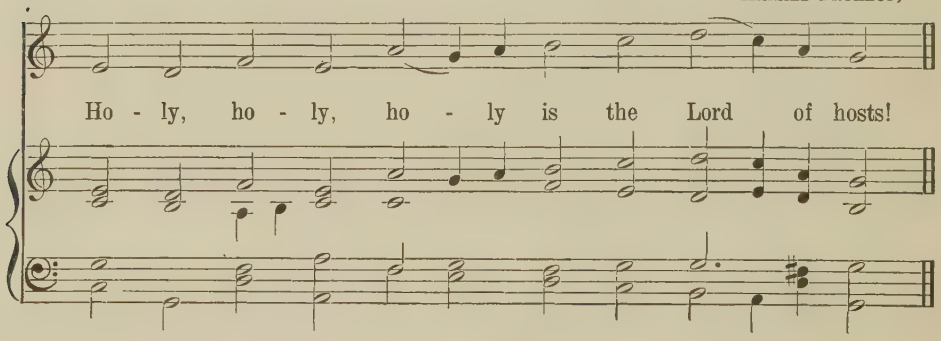
Thereafter the **Minister** *shall say:*

The Lord is in His holy temple, etc.*

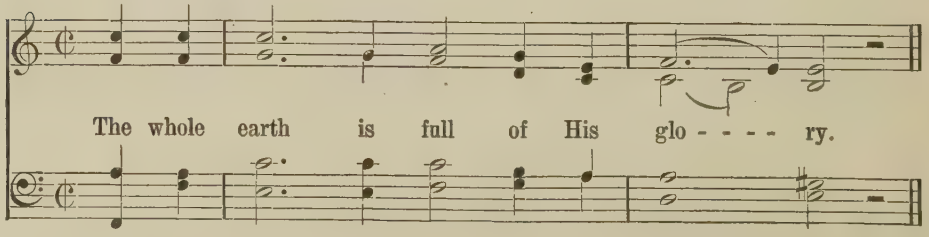
Trinity Sunday

The **Minister,** *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

HARALD FRYKLÖF.



The **Congregation** *shall sing;*



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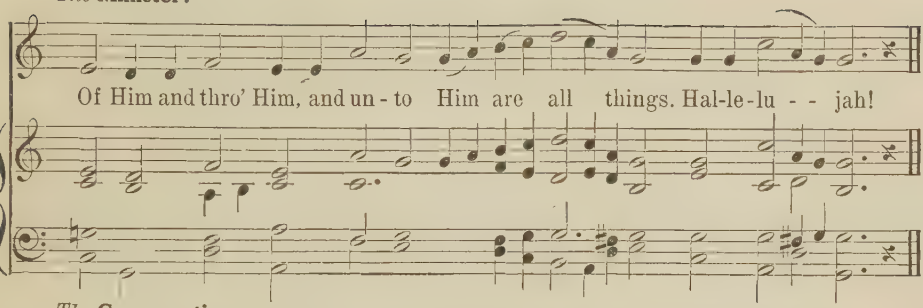

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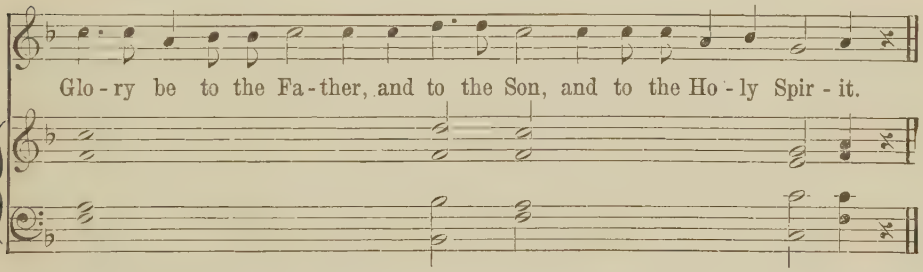

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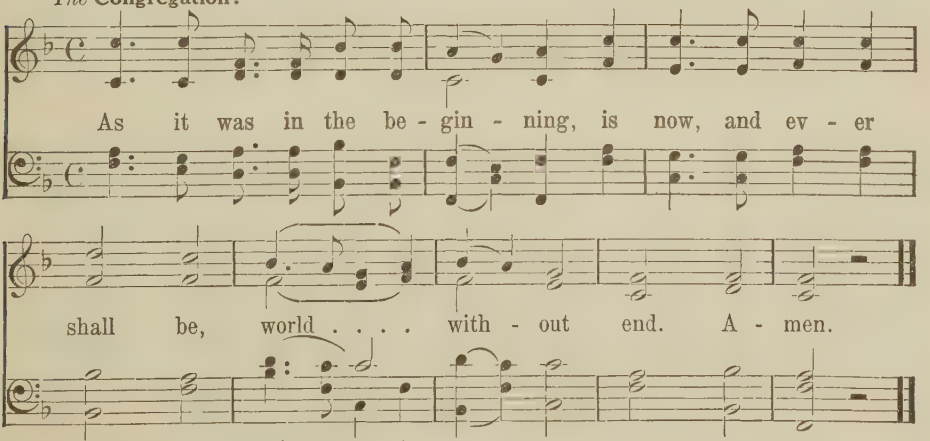

Thereafter the **Minister** *shall say:*

The Lord is in His holy temple, etc.*

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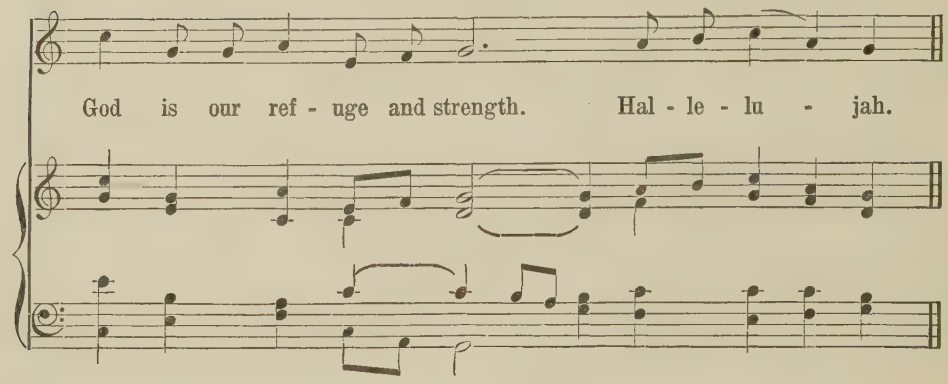
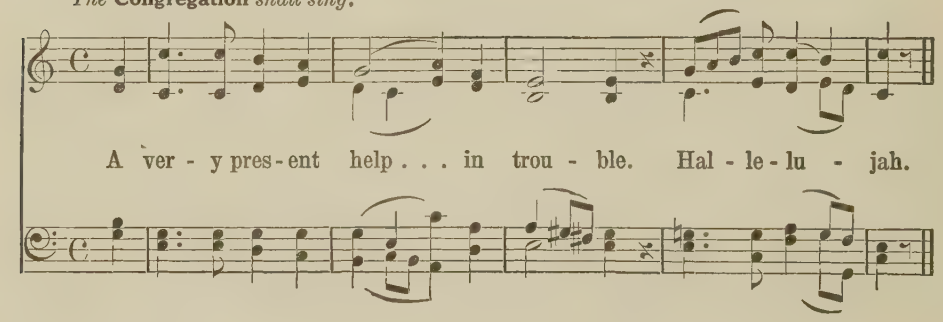
The Festival of the Reformation

The **Minister,** *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say;*

HARALD FRYKLÖF.



The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



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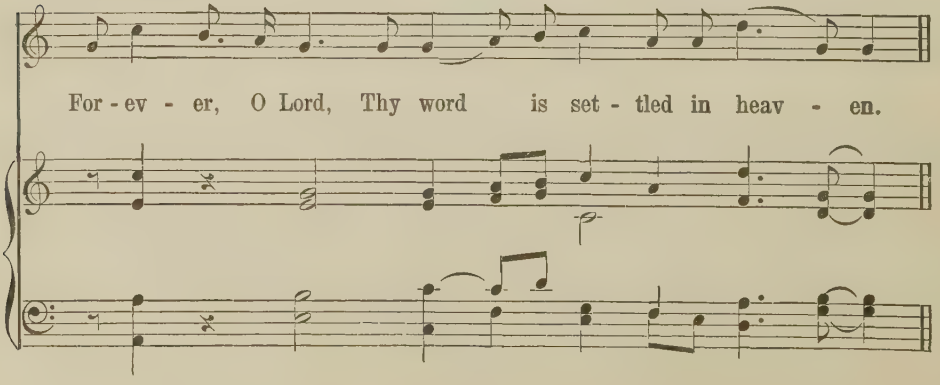

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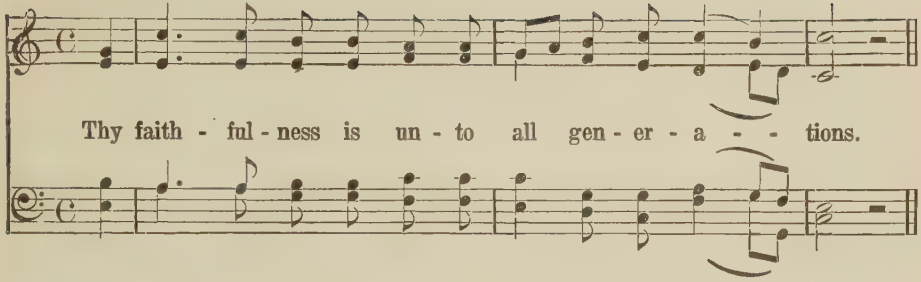

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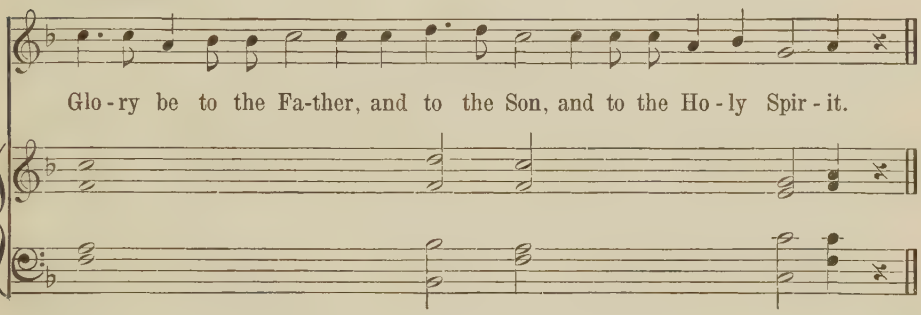

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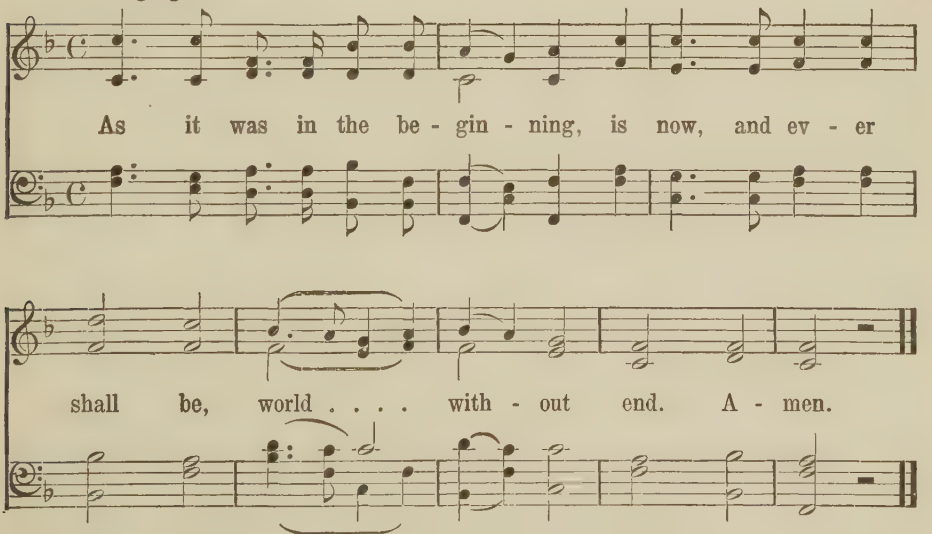


Thereafter the **Minister** *shall say:*

The Lord is in His holy temple, etc.*

*See page 563.

The Holy Communion

With the Full Service

The Service shall begin with an appropriate **Hymn.** *During the singing the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar and kneel in prayer. After the singing he shall rise, turn to the Congregation and say:*

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Communion Sermon

Here shall follow a brief **Communion Sermon,** *after which the* **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, kneel, and with the* **Congregation** *unite in the following* **Confession of Sins:**

The Confession of Sins

Holy and righteous God, merciful Father, we confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. We have not loved Thee above all things, nor our neighbor as ourselves, and are worthy, therefore, to be cast away from Thy presence, if Thou shouldst judge us according to our sins. But Thou hast promised, O heavenly Father, to receive with tender mercy all penitent sinners who turn unto Thee and with a living faith seek refuge in Thy Fatherly compassion and in the merits of the Saviour, Jesus Christ. Their transgressions Thou wilt not regard, nor impute unto them their sins. Relying upon Thy promise, we confidently beseech Thee to be merciful and gracious unto us and to forgive us all our sins, to the praise and glory of Thy Holy Name.

The Absolution

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and pronounce the Absolution:*

If this be your sincere confession, and if with penitent hearts you earnestly desire the forgiveness of your sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, God, according to His promise, forgiveth you all your sins; and by the authority of God's Word and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare unto you that God, through His grace, hath forgiven all your sins; in the Name of God the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

The **Minister,** *still turned to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Seasons.

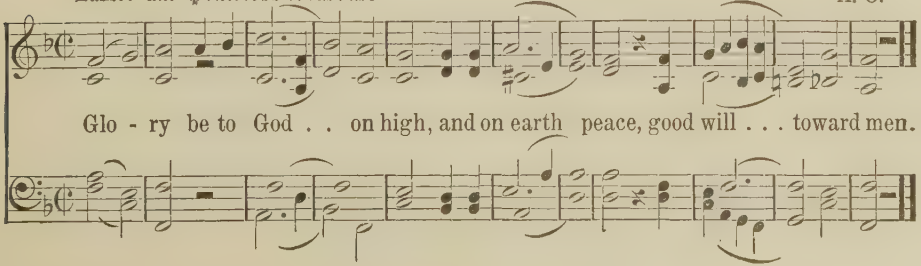
Adapted from Bjuråkers Handskrift.

Lenten and Trinity Seasons.

Bjuråkers Handskrift, prior to 1550.

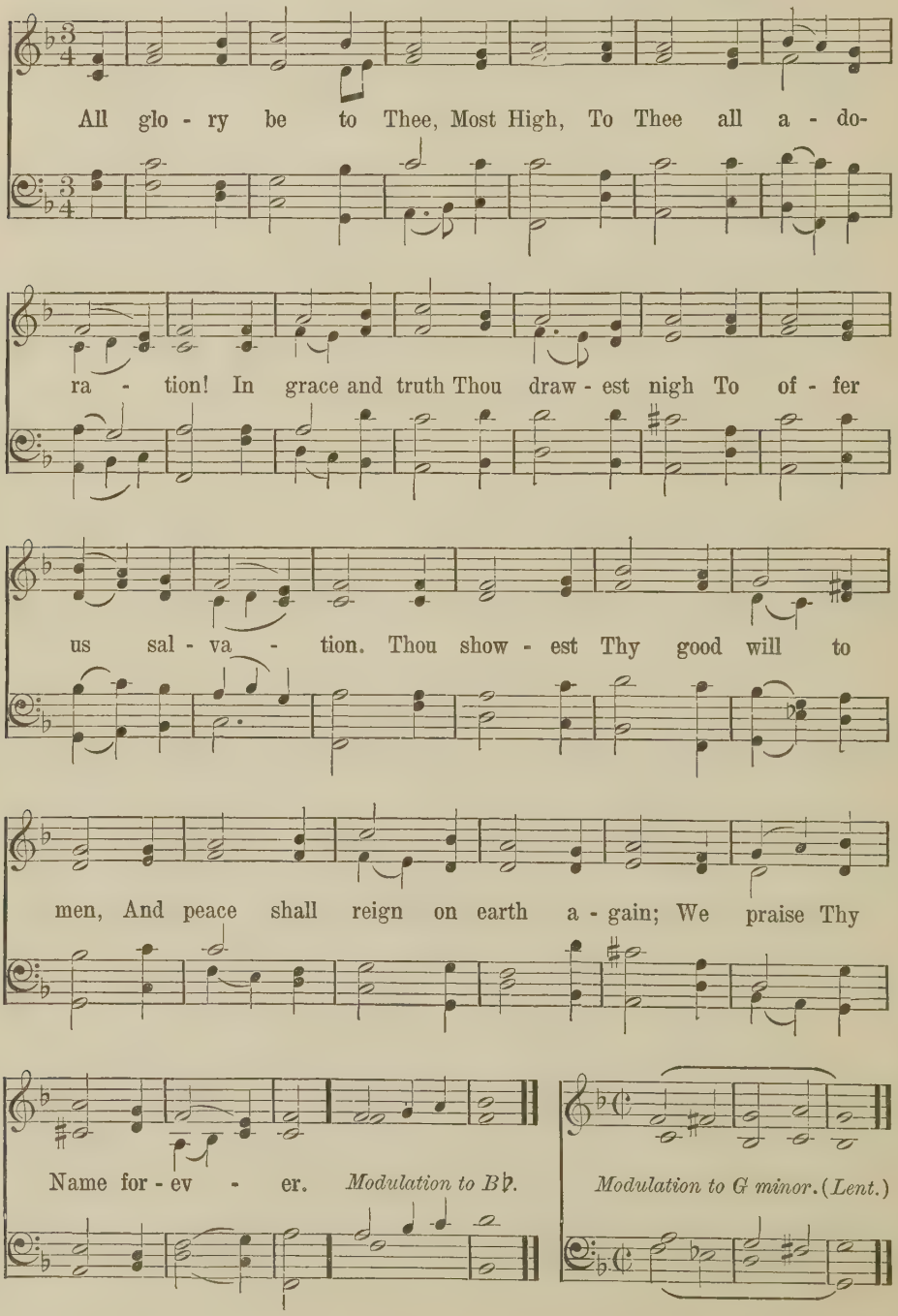
Easter and Pentecost Seasons.

A. O.



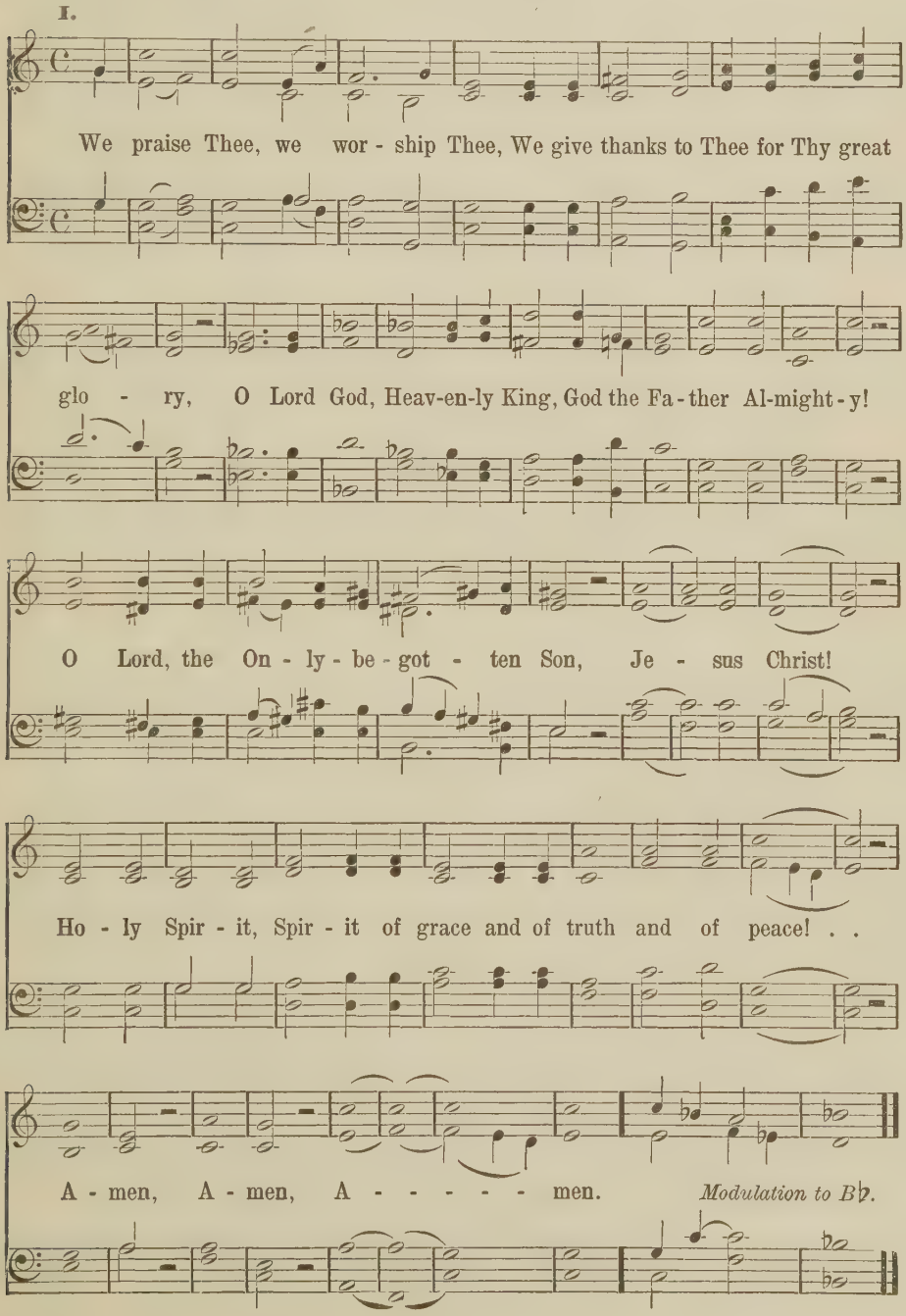
The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and with the* **Congregation** *shall sing:*

NICOLAUS DECIUS ? 1539.

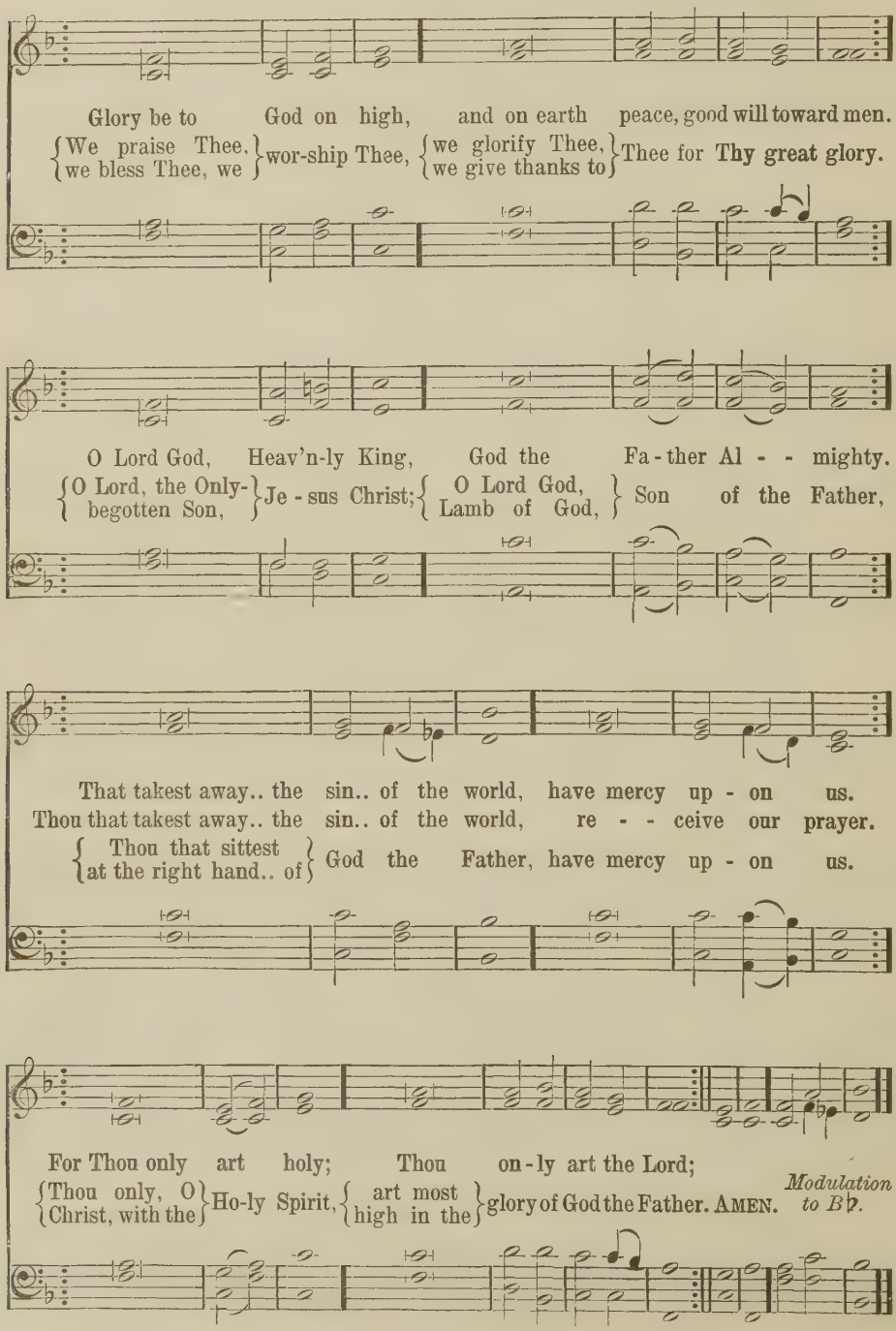

All glo - ry be to Thee, Most High, To Thee all a - do-
ra - tion! In grace and truth Thou draw - est nigh To of - fer
us sal - va - tion. Thou show - est Thy good will to
men, And peace shall reign on earth a - gain; We praise Thy
Name for - ev - er.
Modulation to B♭.
Modulation to G minor. (Lent.)

On Festival days, or on any Sunday except during Lent, the following **(I.** *or* **II.)** *may be sung instead of "All glory be to Thee, Most High."*

I.


We praise Thee, we wor - ship Thee, We give thanks to Thee for Thy great
glo - ry, O Lord God, Heav-en-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al-might - y!
O Lord, the On - ly - be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ!
Ho - ly Spir - it, Spir - it of grace and of truth and of peace! . .
A - men, A - men, A - - - - - men.
Modulation to B♭.

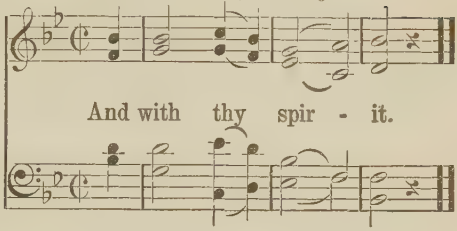
II. Old Scottish Chant.


Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, Heav'n-ly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
That takest away.. the sin.. of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away.. the sin.. of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand.. of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord;
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, art most high in the glory of God the Father. AMEN.
Modulation to B♭.

The Salutation

Then the **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*

The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



Lenten Season

The **Minister:**

The **Congregation:**

Then the **Minister** *shall say:*

Let us pray.

The Collect

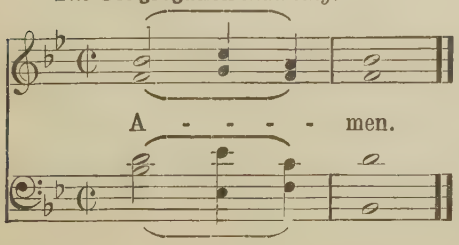
The **Minister**, *turning to the Altar, shall read on Sundays and Festival Days the proper Collect. On special occasions one of the following may be used:*

O Lord God, Heavenly Father, Thou Who hast no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that they turn from their way and live; we pray Thee that Thou wouldst mercifully avert the punishment that our sins deserve, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

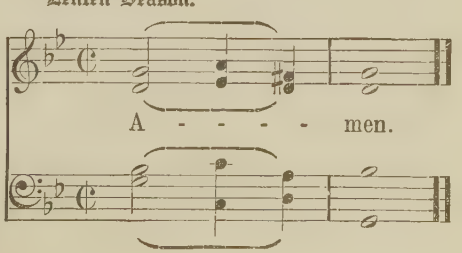
Or:

We beseech Thee, Almighty God, Heavenly Father, to grant us a true faith, a firm hope in Thy mercy, and a sincere love to our fellow-men, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



Lenten Season.



The Epistle

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and say:*

The Epistle for (*here he shall name the Sunday or Festival Day*) is written in.....

The Epistle ended, the **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and the* **Congregation** *shall be seated. A* **Hymn** (**The Gradual**) *shall then be sung.*

The Gospel

The Hymn ended, the **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and say:*

Lift up your hearts unto the Lord and hear the Gospel for the Day as it is written in.....

The **Congregation** *shall arise, and the Gospel for the Day shall be read. The Gospel ended, the* **Minister** *and the* **Congregation** *shall say*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; The Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Or:

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By Whom all things were made; Who, for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. Amen.

An **Anthem** *in harmony with the lessons for the day may here be sung. Then shall follow one or more verses of a* **Hymn** *as an introduction to the Sermon. In the meantime the* **Minister** *shall enter the Pulpit.*

The Sermon

The Sermon ended, the **Minister** *shall offer a prayer in his own words or the following:*

Praised be the Lord, and blessed forever, Who by His Word has comforted, taught, exhorted, and admonished us. May His Holy Spirit confirm the Word in our hearts, that we be not forgetful hearers, but daily increase in faith, hope, love, and patience unto the end, and obtain salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Here may be used the prayer to be found in the lectionary of the pastor's altar book after the texts of each Sunday.

The **Church Notices** *may then be given. The* **Announcement of a Death** *within the Congregation may be made as follows:*

We are again reminded that here we have no abiding city. It has pleased the Lord in His infinite wisdom to call from our midst N. N. at the age of.....

The Lord teach us so to consider our own departure, that when the hour is come we may be prepared for a blessed entrance into the heavenly kingdom.

When **Intercession for the Sick** *is requested, the* **Minister** *shall say:*

N. N. and N. N., who are sick, desire to be remembered in the prayers of the Congregation:

Almighty and Eternal God, Thou art the health and strength of them that trust in Thee. We pray Thee that Thou wouldst look in mercy upon the sick and the needy, and especially upon Thy servants for whom we now invoke Thy mighty aid. Turn their distress unto good, and if it be Thy will restore them to health. But above all give them healing for the soul through Thy holy Word. Help them by the remembrance of the bitter passion of Thy Son patiently to bear the affliction with which Thou hast visited them. And finally, when their hour is come, deliver them from all evil and bring them safe to Thy heavenly kingdom; through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Pulpit Office shall conclude with the following:

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen. (2 Cor. 13. 14.)

Or:

The God of all grace, Who called you unto His eternal glory in Christ, after that ye have suffered a little while, shall Himself perfect, establish, strengthen you. To Him be the dominion for ever and ever. Amen. (1 Pet. 5. 10, 11).

Easter and Pentecost Seasons.

Now the God of Peace, Who brought again from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep with the blood of an eternal covenant, even our Lord Jesus, make you perfect in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen. (Heb. 13. 20, 21.)

Trinity Season.

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be the glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus unto all generations for ever and ever. Amen. (Eph. 3. 20, 21).

At the End of the Church Year.

The God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved entire, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. (1 Th. 5. 23).

The Offering

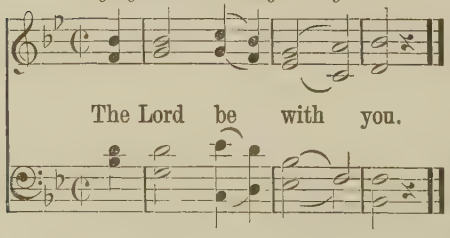
Then shall an **Offertory** *be played, or an* **Anthem** *sung, during which the* **Offering** *shall be made. The* **Minister,** *having received the offering, shall place it upon the Altar and pray as follows:*

O God, Thou Giver of all good gifts, graciously receive and bless this offering which we Thy people place upon Thine Altar, for Jesus' sake. Amen.*

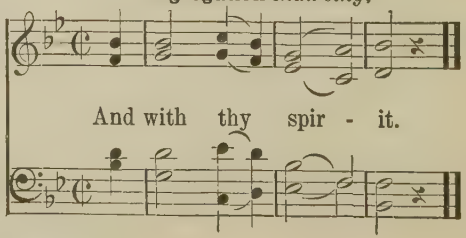
Then shall the **Congregation** *sing a* **Hymn,** *during which the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar.*

The Salutation

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*



The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



* A short offertory sentence may then be sung by the Choir. (See pp. 554, 555.)

Lenten Season

The **Minister:** *The* **Congregation:**

The **Minister** *shall say:*

Let us pray.

Turning to the Altar, the **Minister** *shall offer*

The General Prayer*

Almighty and most Merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: We give Thee thanks for all Thy goodness and tender mercies. Be gracious unto us and remember not our sins. Sanctify and guide us through Thy Holy Spirit, and grant that we may walk in holiness of life according to Thy Word. Unite, strengthen, and preserve Thy Church through the Word and the Holy Sacraments. Have mercy, O Lord, on all the nations that walk in darkness and that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, and cause the saving and life-giving light of Thy Gospel to shine graciously upon them.

For Synodical and Conference Meetings. Bless those who are now assembled to deliberate concerning the welfare of Thy Church, that their counsels may further Thy glory and the upbuilding of Thy kingdom among us.

Be Thou the strength and stay of our land. Give it grace and honor. Grant health and prosperity to all in authority, especially to the President (and the Congress) of the United States, the Governor (and the Legislature)

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* On special Festival Days the prayers prescribed should precede the General Intercession. According to circumstances, those parts of the General Intercession referring to conditions that do not always prevail are omitted, such as the prayers for Church assemblies, for Confirmation Candidates, etc. Occasional prayers shall, when they occur, follow the General Prayer. During Lent and on special occasions the Litany may be used instead of the General Prayer.

of this Commonwealth, and to all our Judges and Magistrates. Endue them with grace to rule after Thy good pleasure, to the maintenance of righteousness, and to the hindrance and punishment of wickedness, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

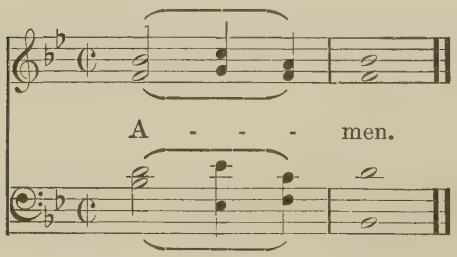
Help us, O God, that we may live together in peace and concord, with true and Christian counsel in all that we undertake. Prosper every good work, and turn away from us all harm and evil. May Thy blessing rest upon the fruits of the earth, and give success to every lawful occupation on land and sea.

Let the light of Thy Word ever shine within our homes. Keep the children of the Church in the covenant which Thou hast made with them in Holy Baptism, and give all parents and teachers grace to nurture them in Thy truth and fear. Bless, we pray Thee, the institutions of the Church: its colleges, its seminaries, and all its schools; that they may send forth men and women to serve Thee, in the Ministry of the Word, the Ministry of Mercy, and all the walks of life.

For Catechumens. Regard with special favor those who are being prepared for their first communion. Illumine their hearts and minds, and grant them unfeigned faith that they may ever walk as Thy disciples in the way of truth.

Help and comfort the sick and the poor, the oppressed and those who mourn, the afflicted and the dying. Graciously protect all widows and orphans. Support us in our last hour, and after this transitory life vouchsafe unto us eternal blessedness: through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



Lenten Season.

O Lamb of God, Most Holy

Then the **Congregation** *shall sing,* **"O Lamb of God, Most Holy,"** *while the* **Minister** *makes ready the elements of the Sacrament on the Altar.*

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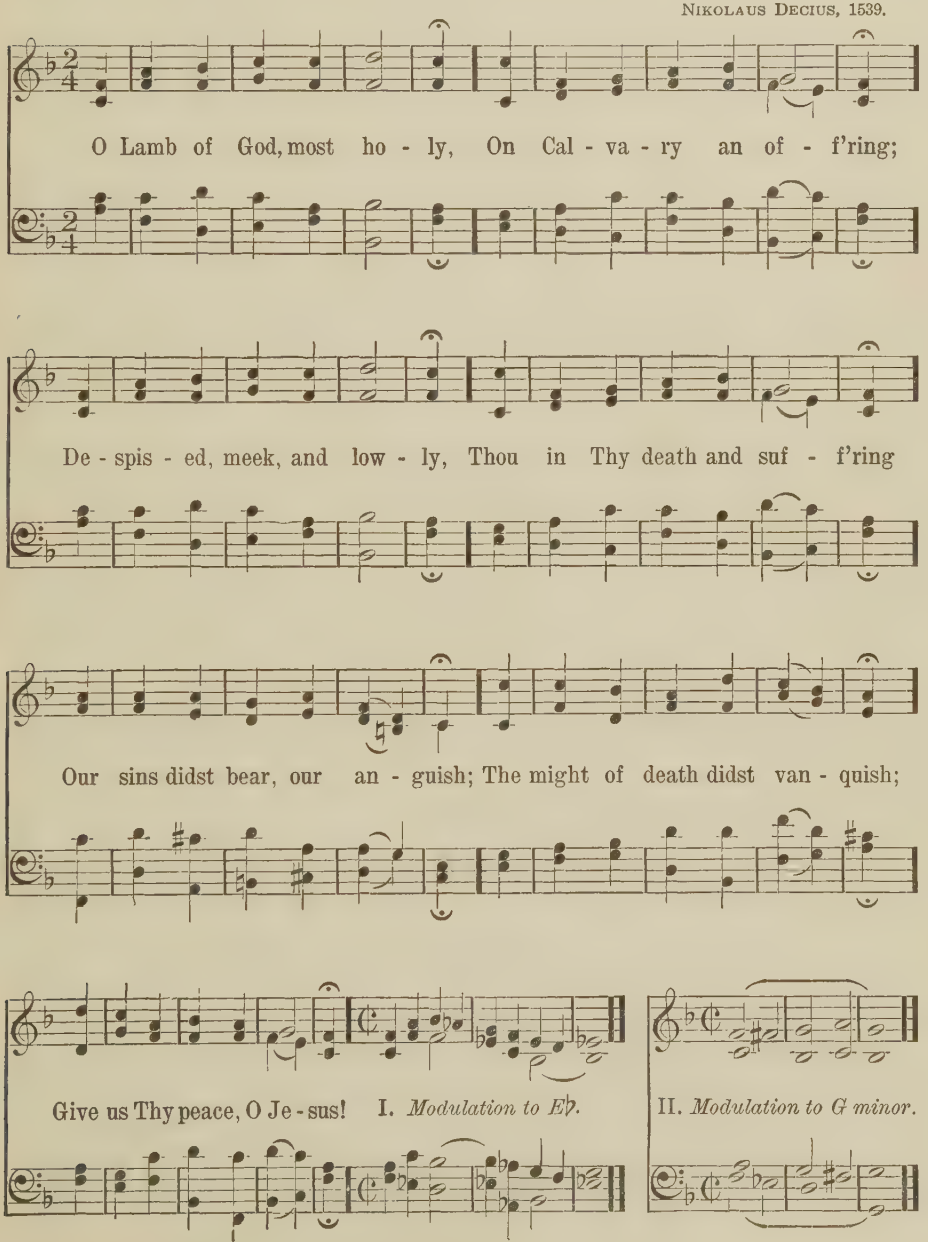
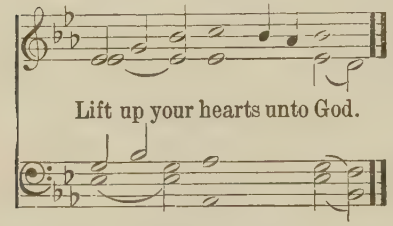

O Lamb of God, most ho - ly, On Cal - va - ry an of - f'ring;
De - spis - ed, meek, and low - ly, Thou in Thy death and suf - f'ring
Our sins didst bear, our an - guish; The might of death didst van - quish;
Give us Thy peace, O Je - sus!
I. Modulation to Eb.
II. Modulation to G minor.

The Preface

I. * *The* **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*



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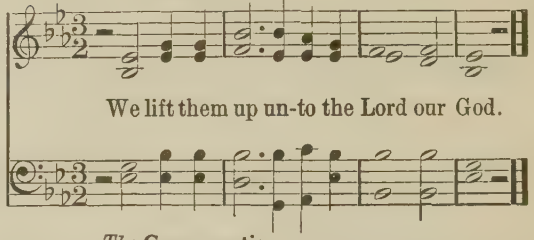

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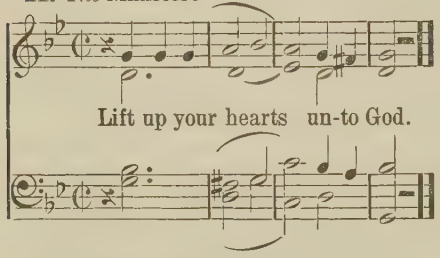

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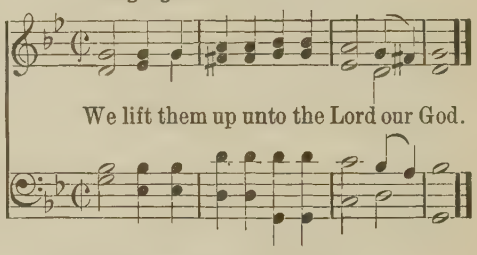

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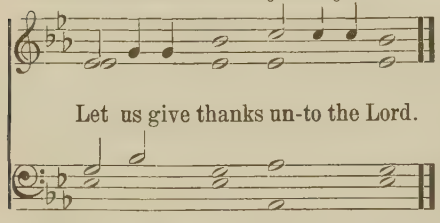

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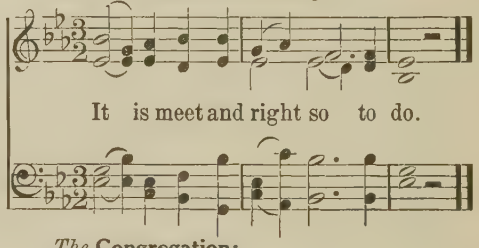

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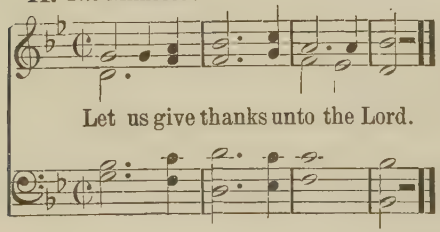

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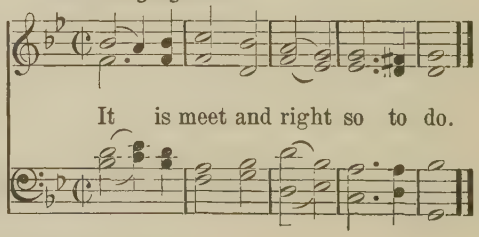


Vere Dignum

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar and say:*

It is truly meet, right, and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. He is our Paschal Lamb, offered for us, the innocent Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world. As He hath conquered death, is risen again, and liveth for evermore, even so all they who put their trust in Him shall through Him be victorious over sin and death, and inherit eternal life. And in order that we may keep in remembrance His unspeakable mercy, He hath instituted His Holy Supper.

* The setting chosen (I. or II.) shall be followed consistently throughout the service.

The Words of Institution

Then shall the **Minister** *say:*

Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is My Body, which is given for you; this do in remembrance of Me.

After the same manner, also, when He had supped, He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; this Cup is the New Testament in My Blood, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; this do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me.

The Lord's Prayer

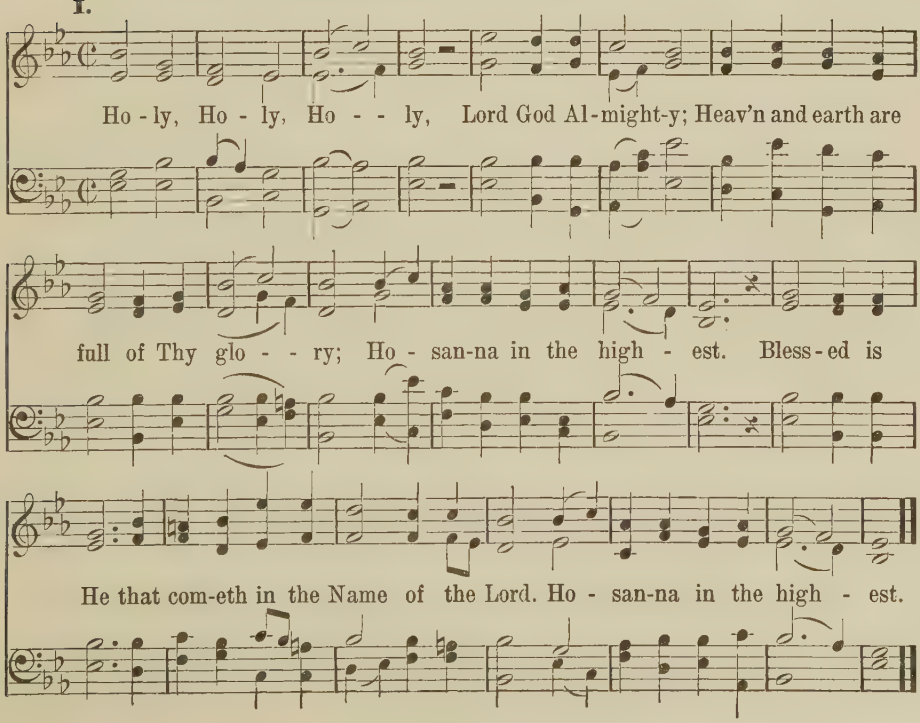
The **Minister,** *together with the* **Congregation,** *shall say;*

Our Father, Who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

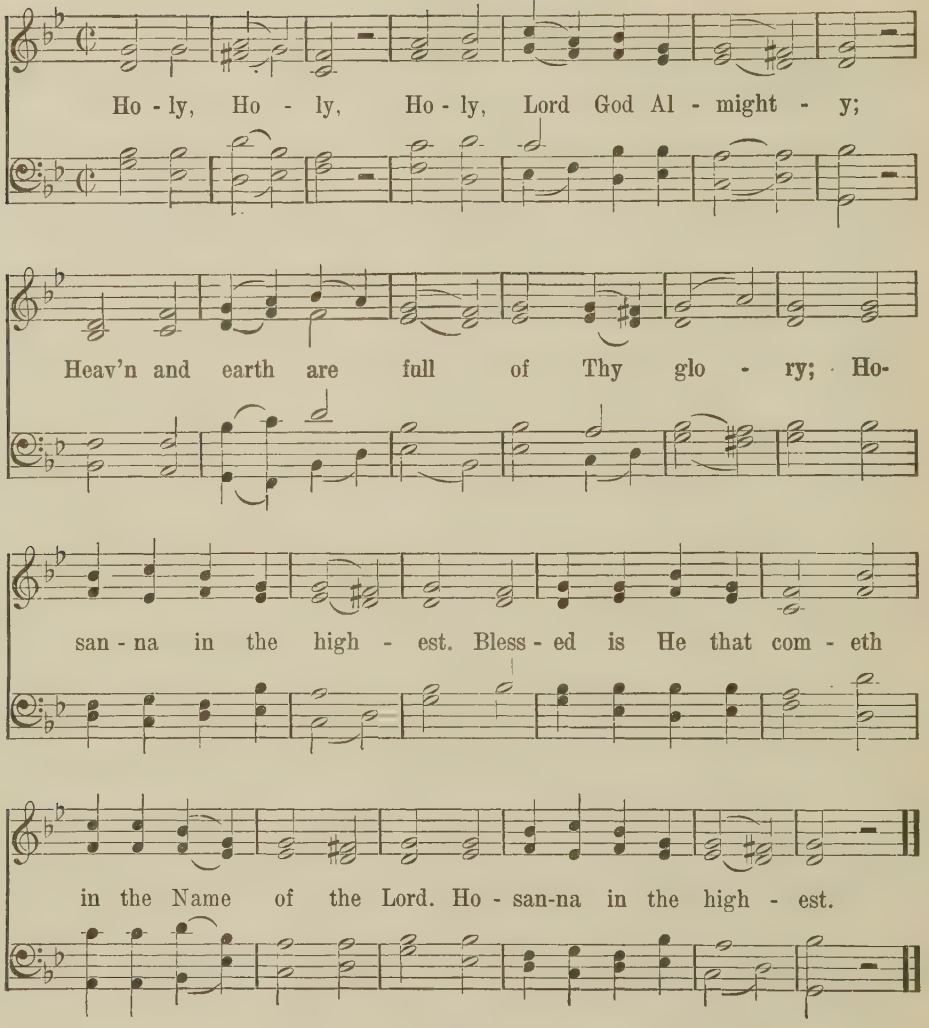
Sanctus

Then shall the **Minister** *and the* **Congregation** *together sing:*

I.


Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - - ly, Lord God Al-might-y; Heav'n and earth are
full of Thy glo - - ry; Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is
He that com-eth in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

II.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san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He that com - eth
in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

Pax

The **Minister,** *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

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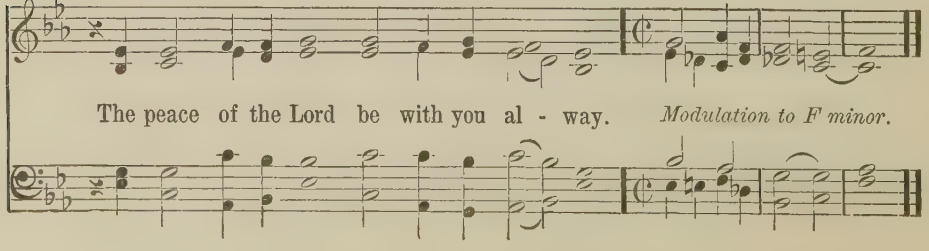
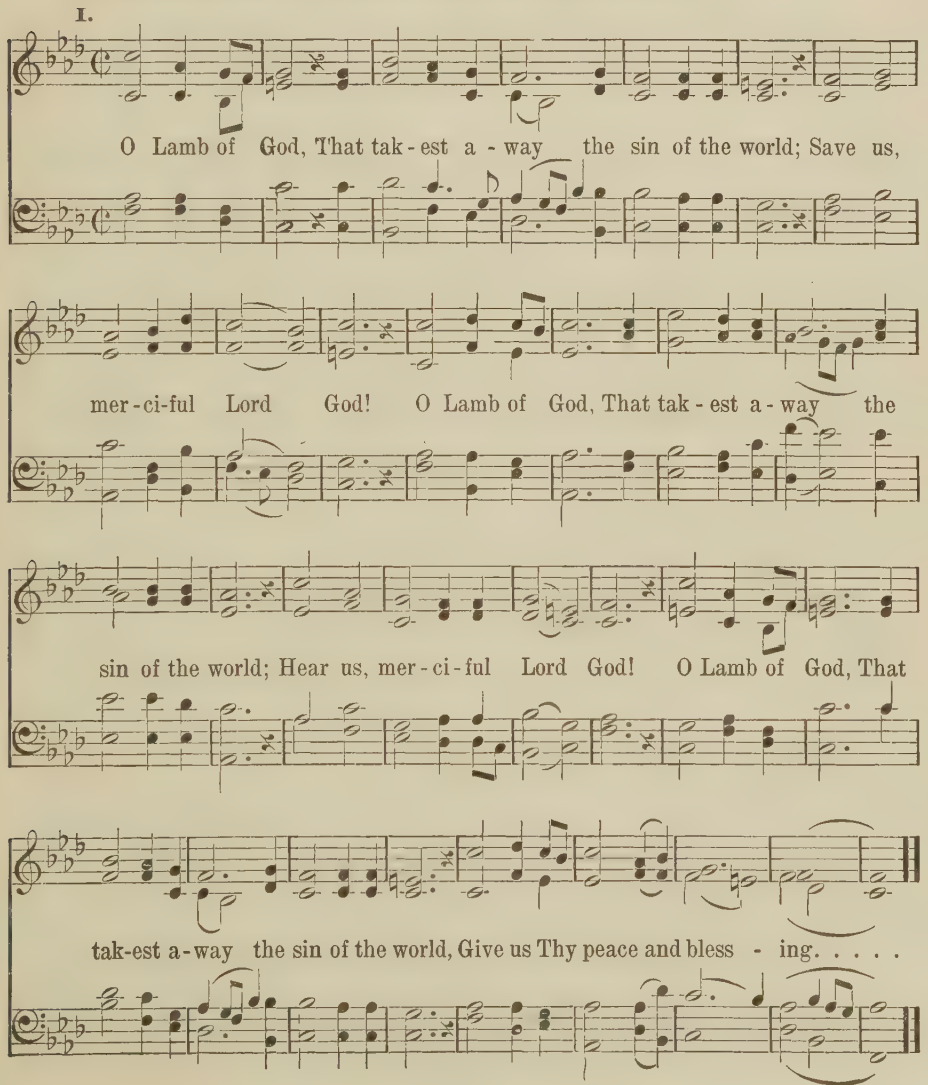


II.

Agnus Dei

The Communicants now come forward while the **Congregation** *sings:*

I.


O Lamb of God, That tak - est a - way the sin of the world; Save us,
mer - ci - ful Lord God! O Lamb of God, That tak - est a - way the
sin of the world; Hear us, mer - ci - ful Lord God! O Lamb of God, That
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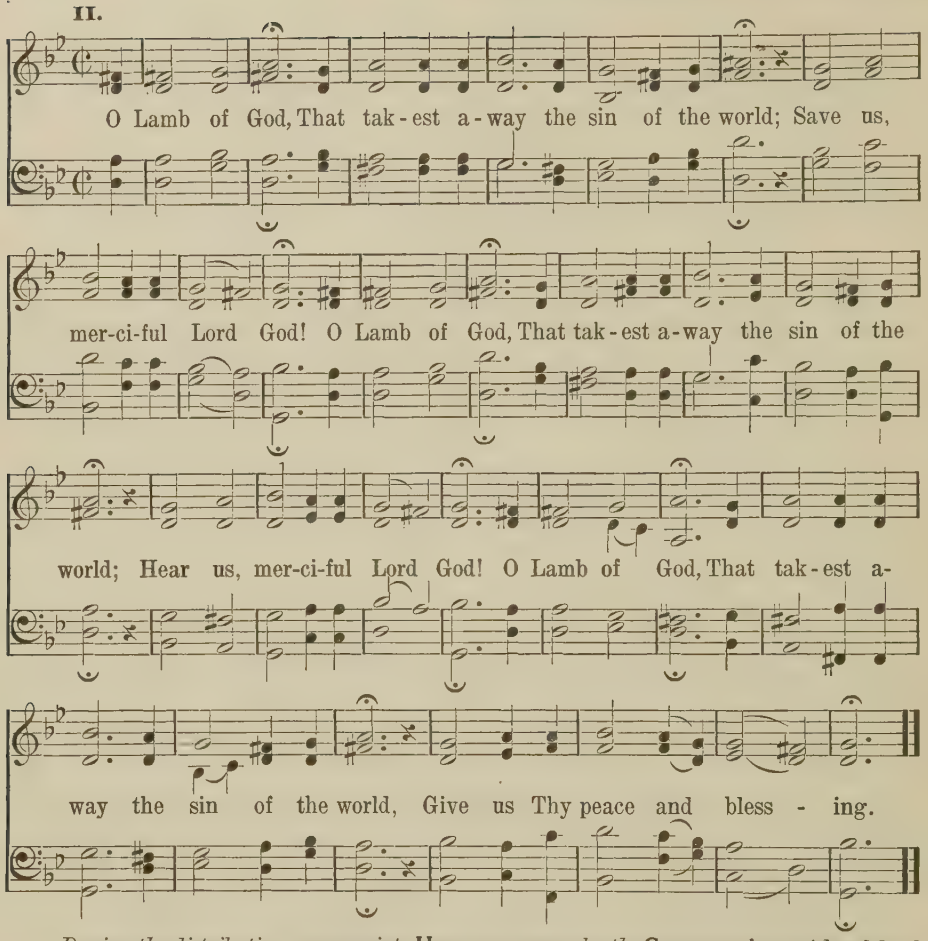
II.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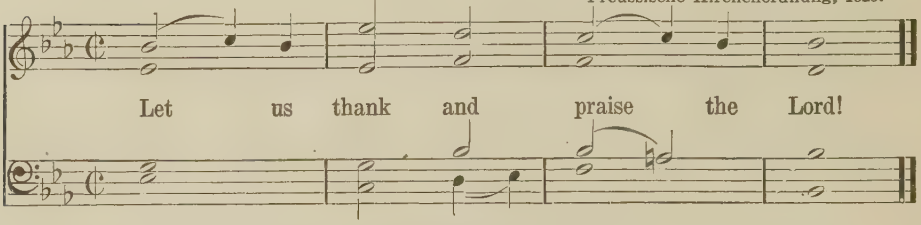

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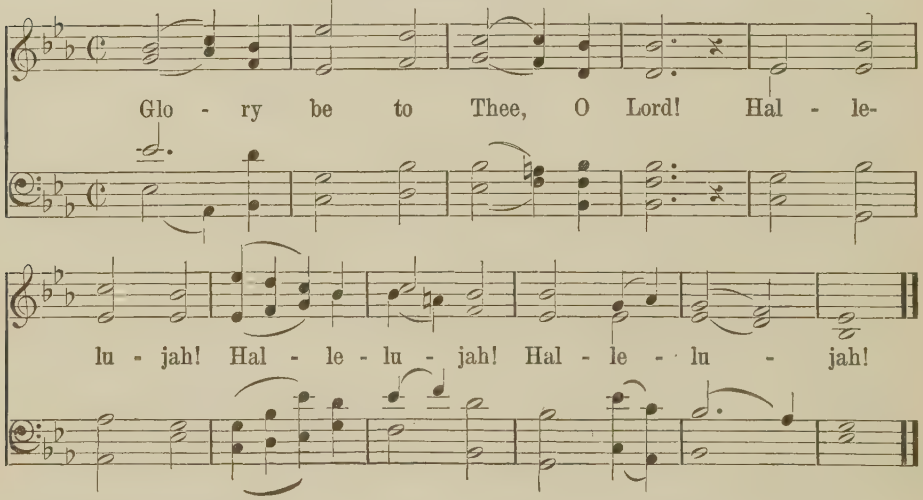

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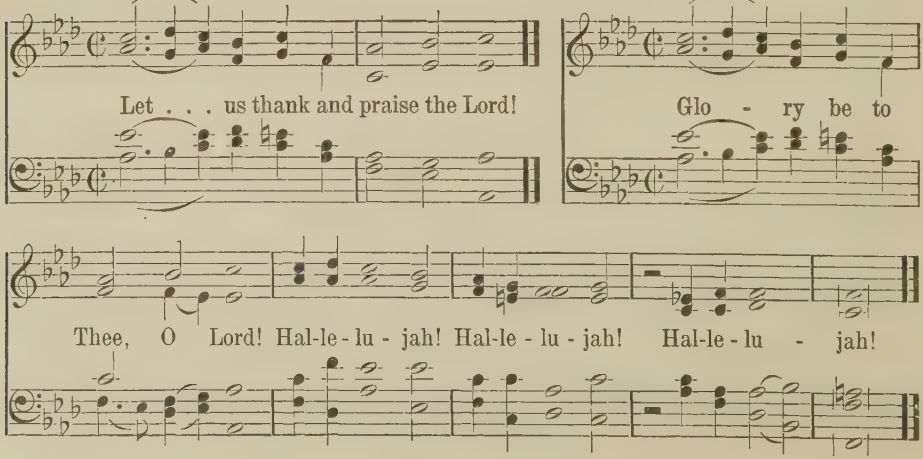

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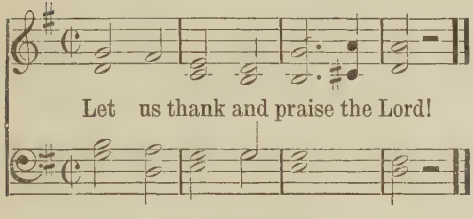

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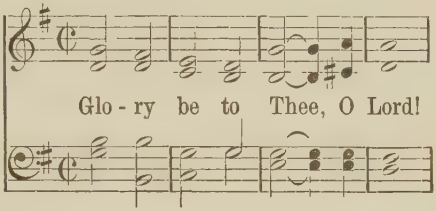

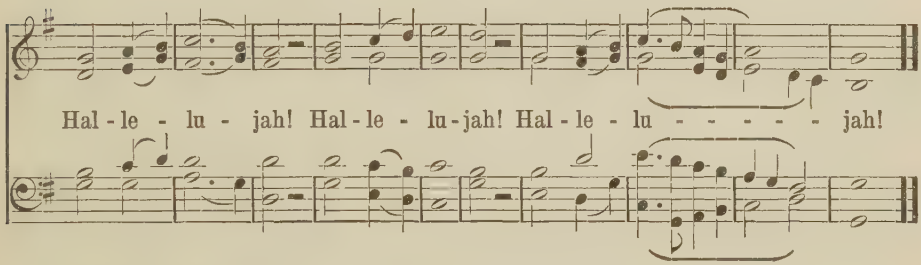

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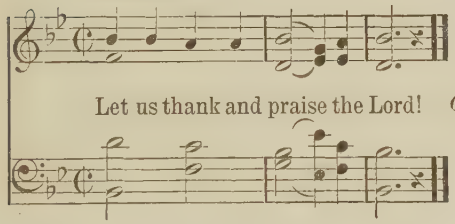

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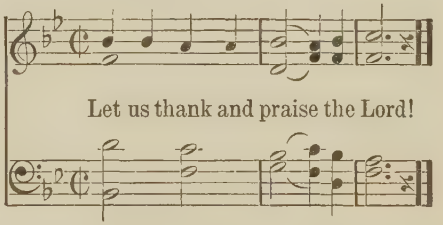

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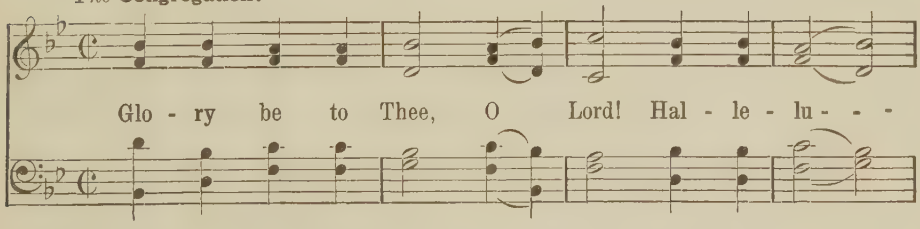

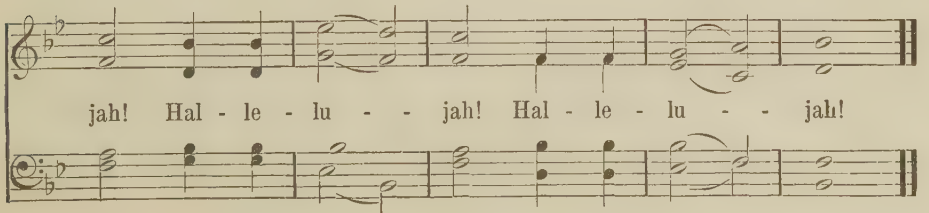

The Benediction

Then shall the **Minister** *say:*

Bow your hearts to God, and receive the Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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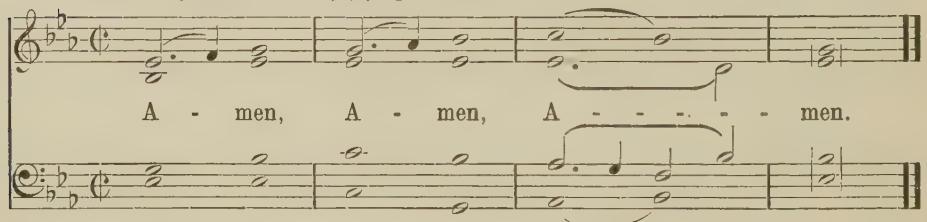

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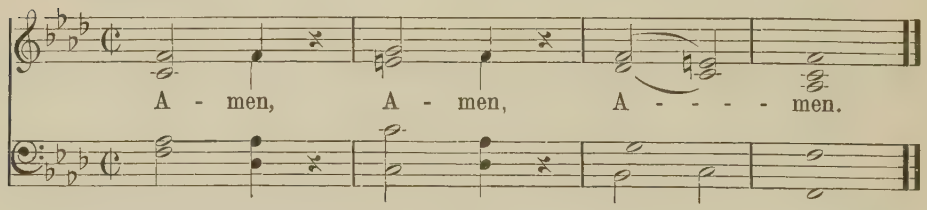

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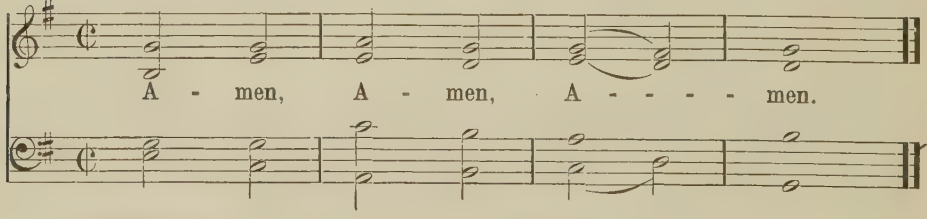

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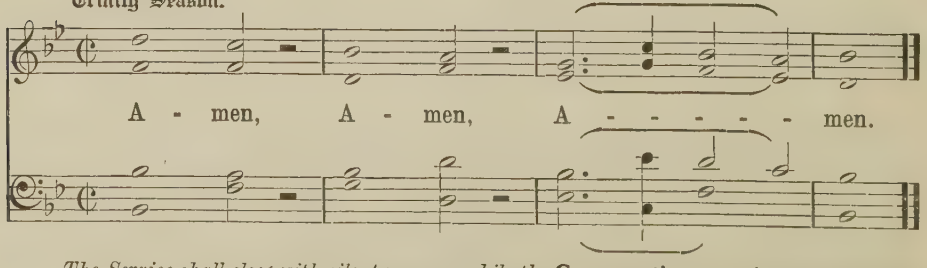

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The Holy Communion

Without the Full Service

The Service shall begin with an appropriate **Hymn.** *During the singing the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar and kneel in prayer. After the singing he shall rise, turn to the Congregation, and say:*

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Communion Sermon

Here shall follow a brief **Communion Sermon,** *after which the* **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, kneel, and with the* **Congregation** *unite in the following* **Confession of Sins:**

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Holy and righteous God, merciful Father, we confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. We have not loved Thee above all things, nor our neighbor as ourselves, and are worthy, therefore, to be cast away from Thy presence, if Thou shouldst judge us according to our sins. But Thou hast promised, O heavenly Father, to receive with tender mercy all penitent sinners who turn unto Thee and with a living faith seek refuge in Thy fatherly compassion and in the merits of the Saviour, Jesus Christ. Their transgressions Thou wilt not regard, nor impute unto them their sins. Relying upon Thy promise, we confidently beseech Thee to be merciful and gracious unto us and to forgive us all our sins, to the praise and glory of Thy Holy Name.

The Absolution

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and pronounce the Absolution:*

If this be your sincere confession, and if with penitent hearts you earnestly desire the forgiveness of your sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, God, according to His promise, forgiveth you all your sins; and by the authority of God's Word and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare unto you that God, through His grace, hath forgiven all your sins; in the Name of God the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Then the **Minister** *shall say:*

Let us give thanks and pray.

Turning to the Altar he shall pray:

Almighty, heavenly Father, we render unto Thee heartfelt thanks for this comforting absolution wherein Thou hast declared unto us forgiveness of our sins. We pray Thee so to prepare us through Thy Holy Spirit that we, in true penitence and faith, may receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Thy Son Jesus Christ, and thereby be strengthened in Christian patience and in the hope of everlasting life, till Thou at last grant us a blessed departure; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

Here a suitable **Hymn** *shall be sung, following which the* **Announcements** *shall be made from the pulpit. Then shall an* **Offertory** *be played, or an* **Anthem** *sung, during which the* **Offering** *shall be received. The* **Minister,** *having received the offering, shall place it upon the Altar and pray as follows:*

O God, Thou Giver of all good gifts, graciously receive and bless this offering, which we Thy people place upon Thine Altar, for Jesus' sake. Amen.*

O Lamb of God, Most Holy

The **Congregation** *shall rise and sing,* **"O Lamb of God, Most Holy,"** *while the* **Minister** *makes ready the elements of the Sacrament on the Altar.*

NIKOLAUS DECIUS, 1539.

O Lamb of God, most ho - ly, On Cal - va - ry an of - f'ring;
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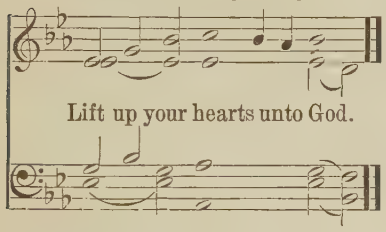

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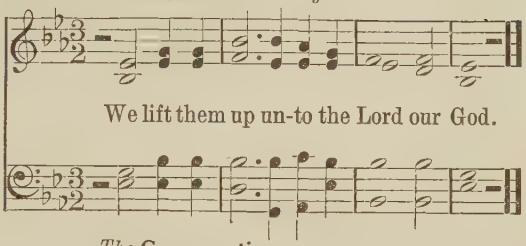

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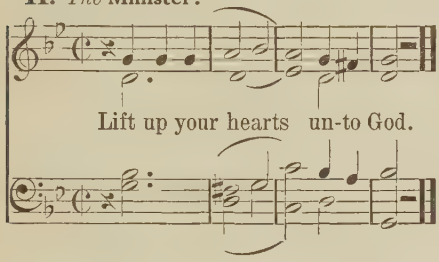

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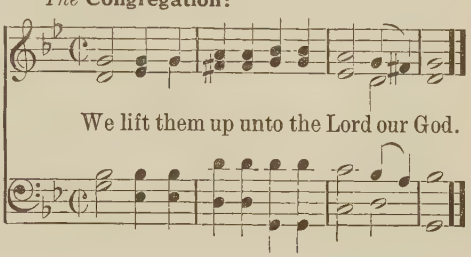

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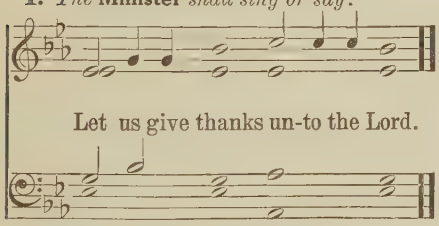

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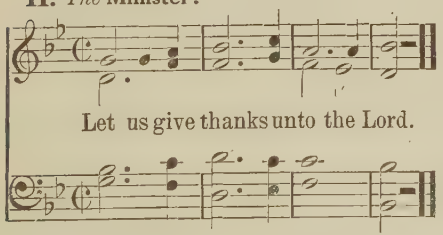

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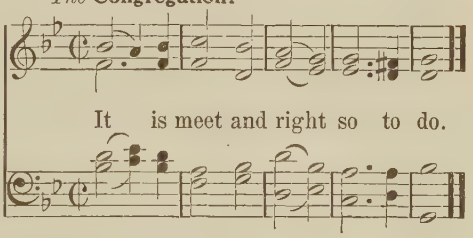

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The Words of Institution

Then shall the **Minister** *say:*

Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is My Body, which is given for you; this do in remembrance of Me.

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The Lord's Prayer

The **Minister,** *together with the* **Congregation,** *shall say:*

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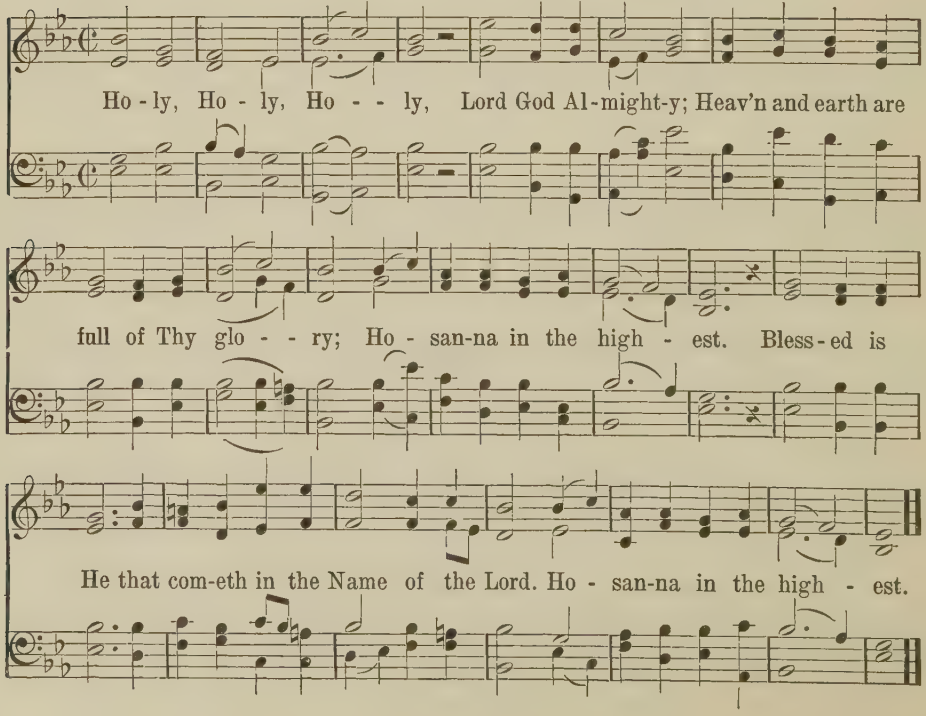
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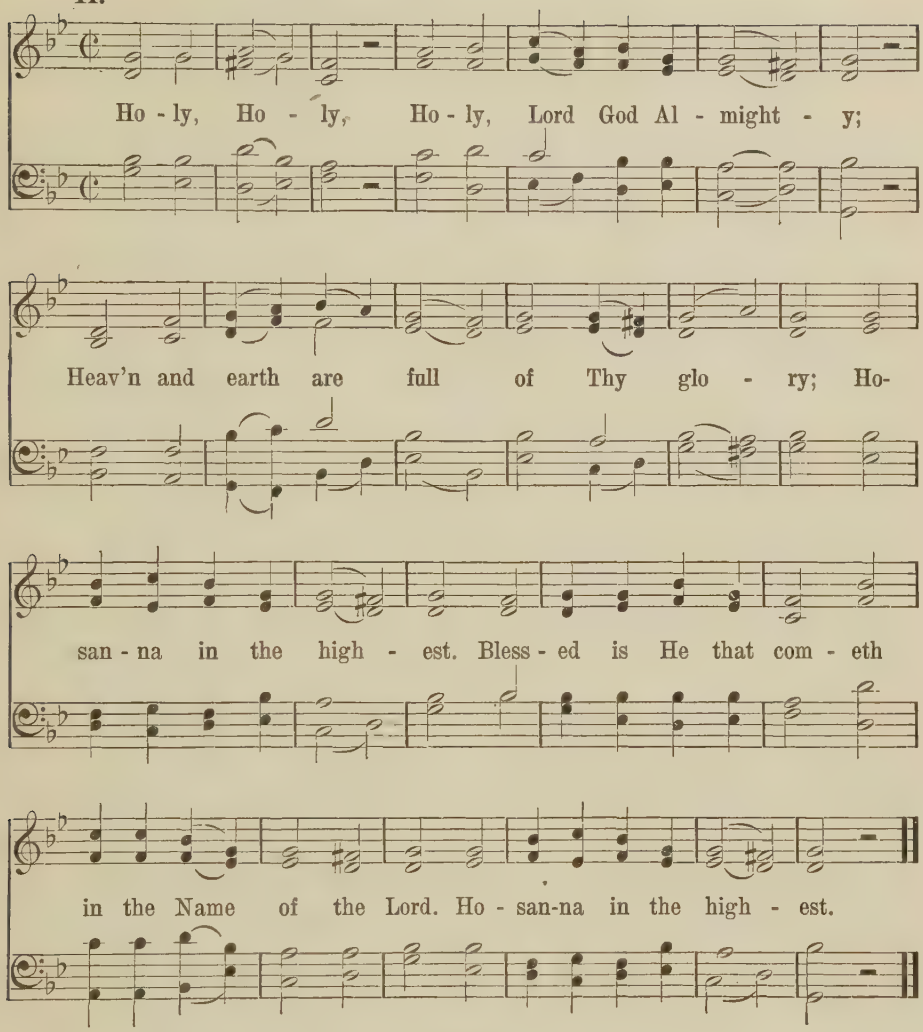
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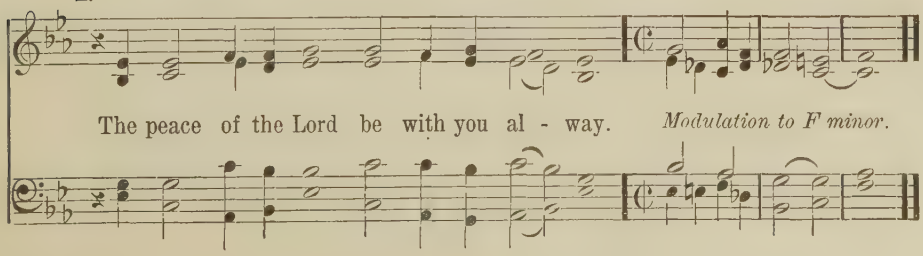

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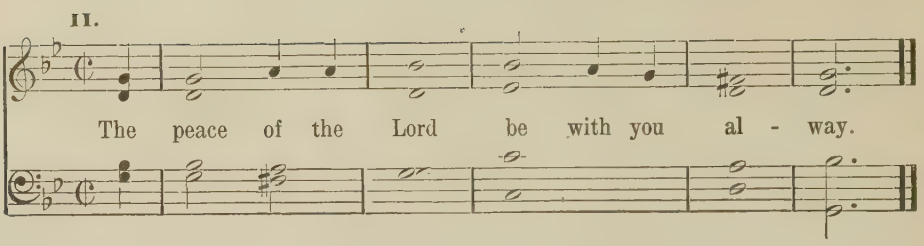

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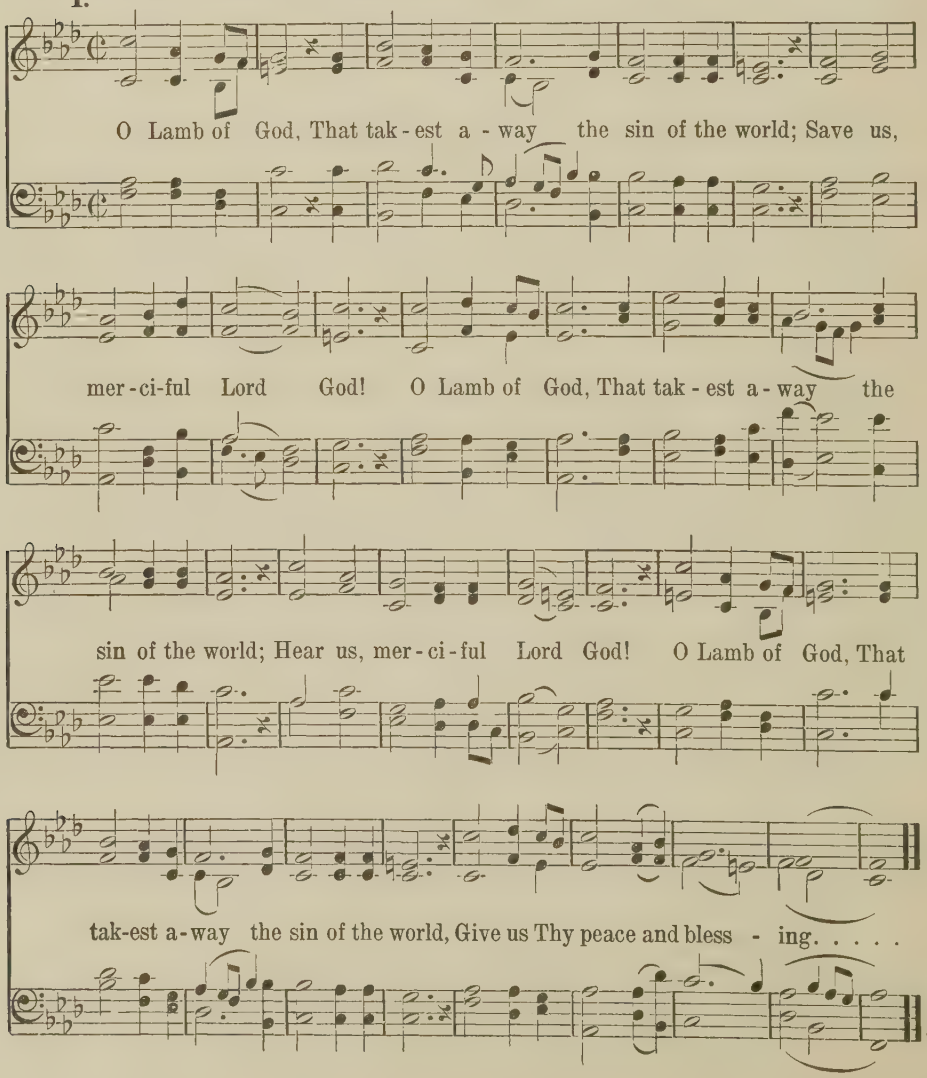
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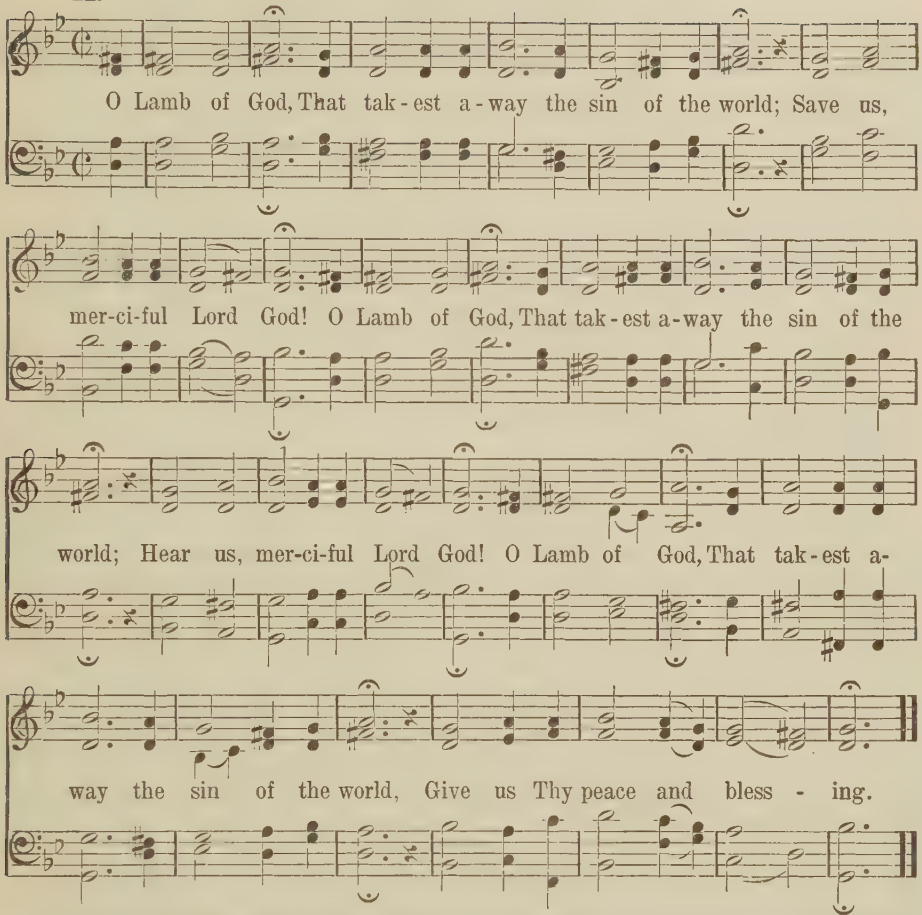
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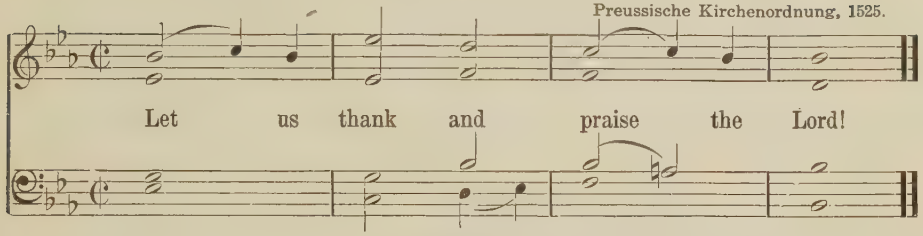

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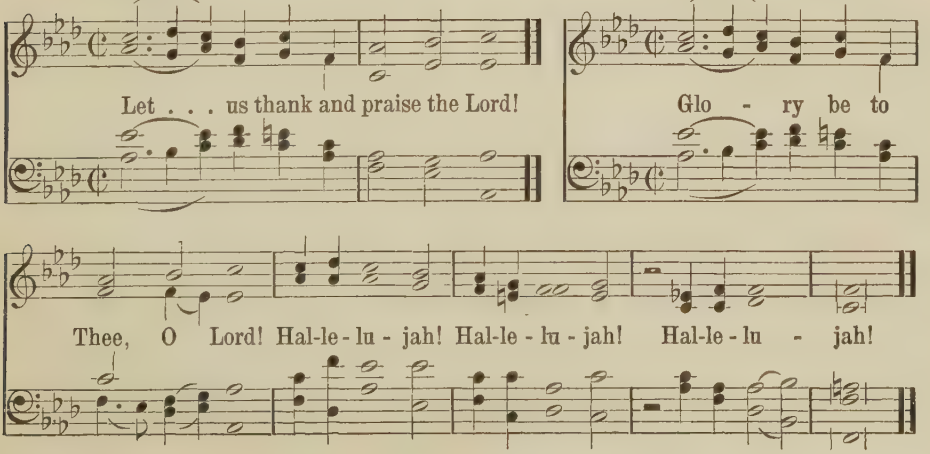

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Let us thank and praise the Lord!

The **Congregation:** SPANGENBERG, 1545.

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

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Trinity Season.

The **Minister:**

Let us thank and praise the Lord!

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The Benediction

Then shall the **Minister** *say:*

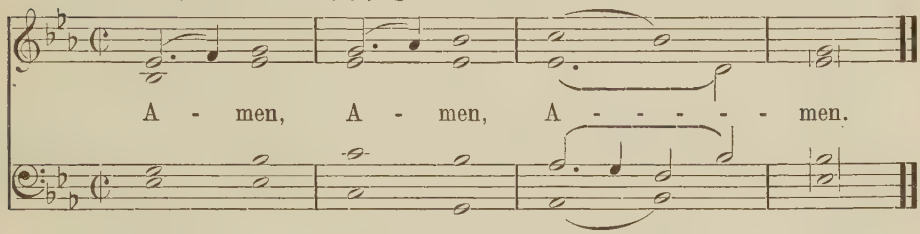
Bow your hearts to God, and receive the Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and the* **Congregation** *shall sing:*

Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Seasons.



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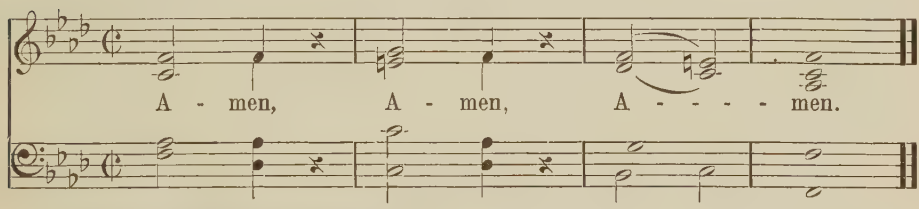

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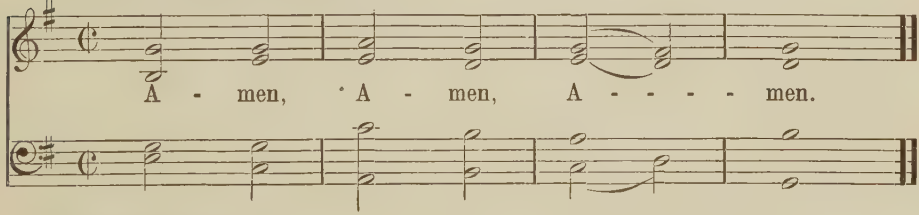

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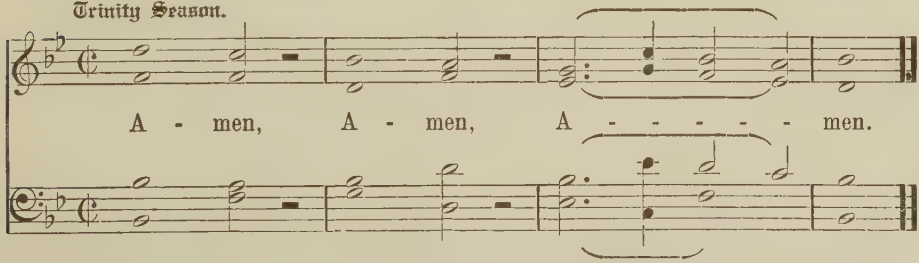


The Service shall close with silent prayer, while the **Congregation** *remains standing and the* **Minister** *kneels before the Altar.*

Matins on Christmas Day

The Service shall begin with an appropriate **Hymn.** *During the singing the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar and kneel in prayer. After the singing he shall rise, turn to the Congregation, and say:*

Grace be unto you and peace from God, our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker, for He is our God.

The **Minister,** *turning to the Altar, shall kneel and pray:*

O God, Who hast made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true light: We praise Thy Holy Name. Above all things do we give thanks and praise to Thee, that Thou hast suffered Thine only begotten Son to become man for our salvation. We pray Thee, merciful Father, to keep us by Thy Spirit in a living knowledge of our Saviour, that we may ever be comforted by His incarnation and serve Thee as Thy children, till finally with all angels and the saints in light we may praise Thee forevermore; through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

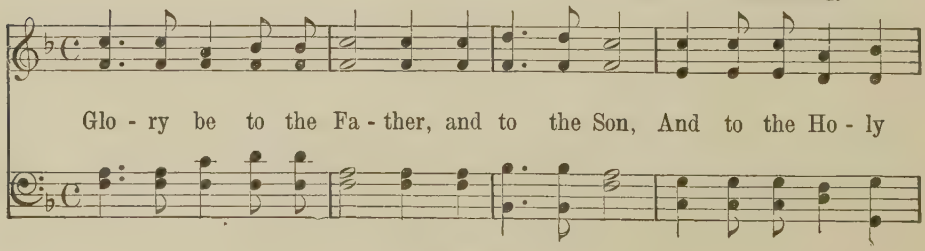
The **Minister,** *rising, shall continue:*

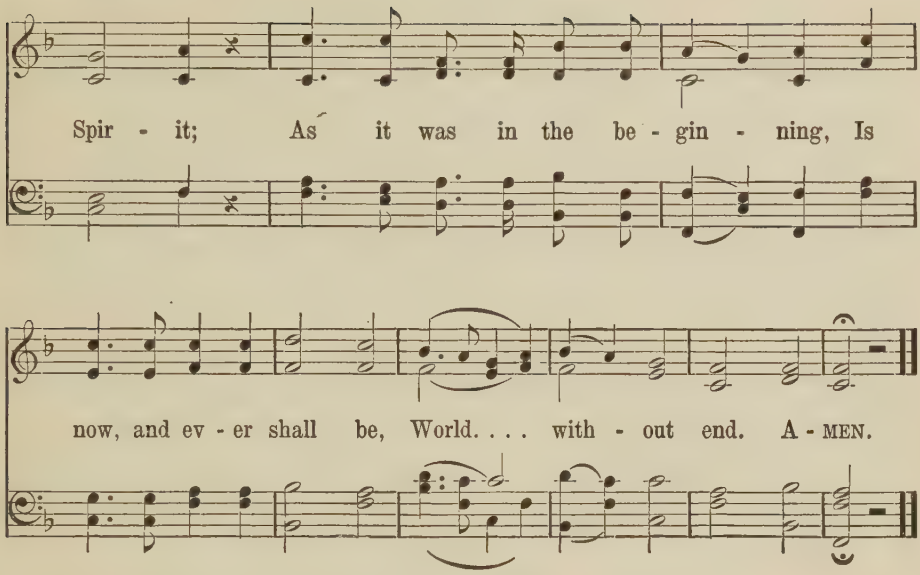
Blessed be the Name of Jehovah from this time forth and forevermore. From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same Jehovah's Name is to be praised. Jehovah is high above all nations, and His glory above the heavens. Who is like unto Jehovah our God, That hath His seat on high, That humbleth Himself to behold the things that are in heaven and in the earth! (Psalm 113. 2–6.)

Gloria Patri

The **Congregation** *shall rise, and with the* **Minister,** *still turned to the Altar, sing:*

Pfälzische Kirchenordnung, 1570.





The Scripture Lesson

After the singing, the **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and say:*

Hear the Word of God as it is recorded in the prophecy of **Isaiah**, the ninth chapter, beginning at the second verse:

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

Thou hast multiplied the nation, thou hast increased their joy: they joy before thee according to the joy in harvest, as men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

For the yoke of his burden, and the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, thou hast broken as in the day of Midian.

For all the armor of the armed man in the tumult, and the garments rolled in blood, shall be for burning, for fuel of fire.

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of Jehovah of hosts will perform this. (Isaiah 9. 2–7.)

The Apostles' Creed

The **Minister** *and the* **Congregation** *shall then make the following Confession of Faith:*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; The Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

An **Anthem** *in harmony with the Day may here be sung. Then shall follow one or more verses of a* **Hymn** *as an introduction to the Sermon. In the meantime the* **Minister** *shall enter the Pulpit.*

The Sermon

The Sermon shall conclude with the following Prayer:

Lord God, our heavenly Father: Through Thy holy angels Thou didst announce to the shepherds in the field the birth of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, and didst bid them not to be fearful, but to rejoice that Christ the Saviour was born in the city of David. Remove, we pray Thee, through Thy Holy Spirit all fear from our hearts and grant us true and lasting joy. And though we be despised and suffer much in this present time, grant that with a firm faith we may embrace Thy Son Jesus Christ, Who for our sake became man to save us from death and all evil, and gain for us eternal salvation. Amen.

The **Church Notices** *may then be given. The Pulpit Office shall conclude with the following:*

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

Then shall an **Offertory** *be played, or an* **Anthem** *sung, during which the offering shall be made. The* **Minister,** *having received the offering, shall place it upon the Altar and pray as follows:*

O God, Thou Giver of all good gifts, graciously receive and bless this offering, which we Thy people place upon Thine Altar, for Jesus' sake. Amen.*

Then shall the **Congregation** *sing a* **Hymn,** *during which the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar.*

*A short offertory sentence (see pp. 554, 555) may then be sung by the Choir.

The Salutation

The **Minister,** *turning to the Congregation, shall sing or say:*

The **Congregation** *shall rise and sing:*

Then the **Minister** *shall say:*

Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

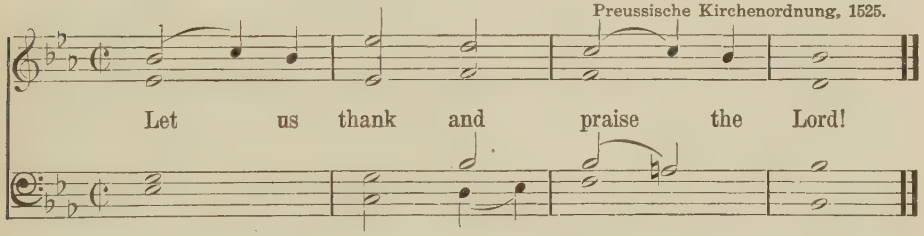
The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar and with the* **Congregation** *shall pray:*

Our Father, Who art in heaven: Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

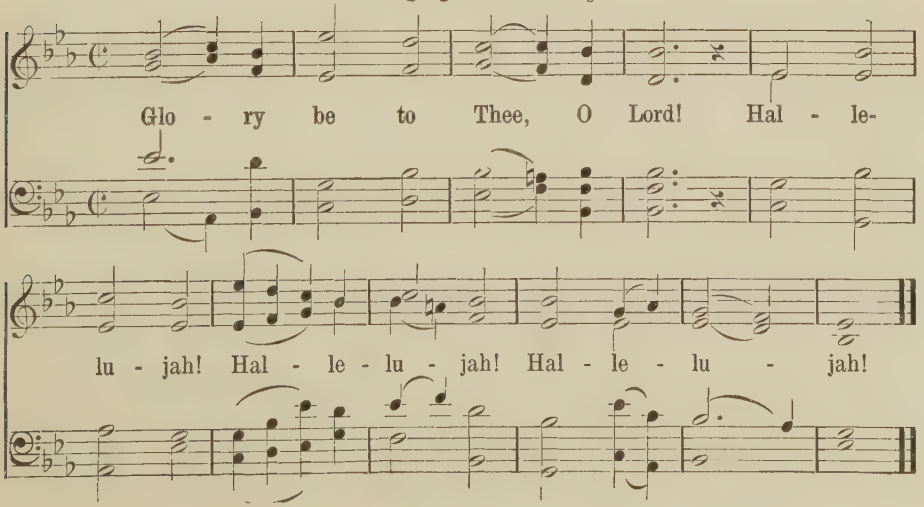
Benedicamus

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*

Preussische Kirchenordnung, 1525.



The **Congregation** *shall sing:*



Instead of the foregoing, **The Magnificat** *may be read:**

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For He hath regarded the low estate of His handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For He that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is His Name. And His mercy is on them that fear Him: from generation to generation. He hath showed strength with His arm; He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich He hath sent empty away. He hath holpen His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy: as He spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

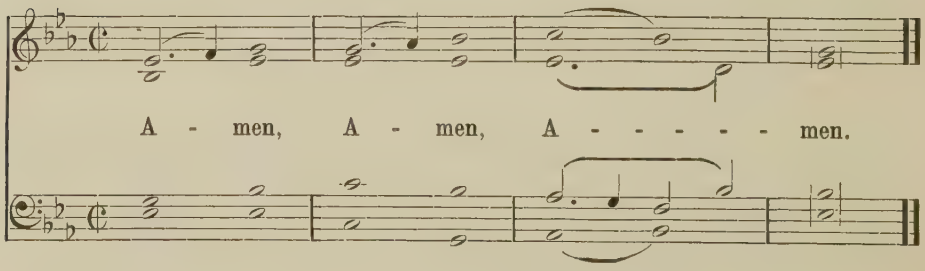
Then shall the **Minister** *say:*

Bow your hearts to God and receive the Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and the* **Congregation** *shall sing:*



The Service shall close with silent prayer, while the **Congregation** *remains standing and the* **Minister** *kneels before the Altar.*

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* The Magnificat may be sung by the Choir. See p. 720.

Matins on Easter Sunday

The Service shall begin with an appropriate **Hymn.** *During the singing the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar and kneel in prayer. After the singing he shall rise, turn to the Congregation, and say:*

Grace be unto you and peace from God, our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker, for He is our God.

The **Minister,** *turning to the Altar, shall kneel and pray:*

Almighty God, Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the day in which life and immortality were brought to light through the resurrection of our blessed Lord from the dead. We thank Thee for the Word of life in Jesus Christ our Saviour, Who has overcome death and opened unto us the gate of eternal life. Grant that the glad Easter tidings may be abundantly blessed in our hearts. Awaken us by the power of Thy Holy Spirit that we may arise from the death of sin and walk in newness of life. May we live our lives upon the earth as those who look for the blessed hope and appearing of the glory of the risen Saviour. May the true light shine far this day, revealing and healing the sins of many hearts. Kindle within us heavenly desires, and grant that we may ever thirst for the Fountain of Life, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

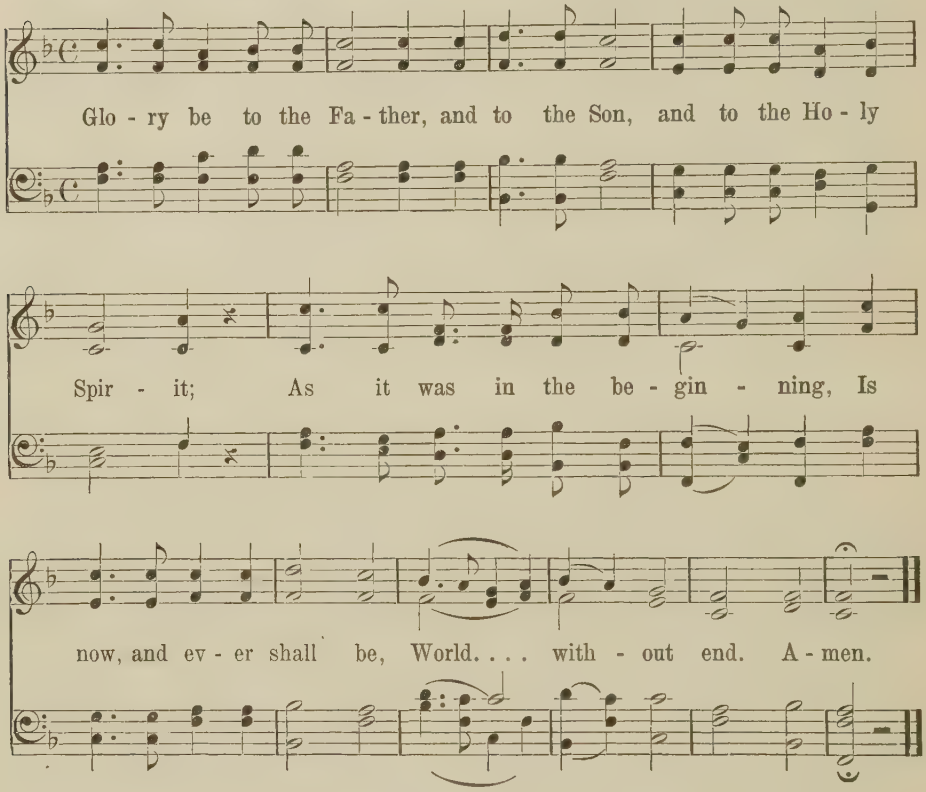
The **Minister,** *rising, shall continue:*

Blessed be the Name of Jehovah from this time forth and forevermore. From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same Jehovah's Name is to be praised. Jehovah is high above all nations, and His glory above the heavens. Who is like unto Jehovah our God, That hath His seat on high, That humbleth Himself to behold the things that are in heaven and in the earth! (Psalm 113. 2–6.)

Gloria Patri

The **Congregation** *shall rise, and with the* **Minister,** *still turned toward the Altar, sing:*

Pfälzische Kirchenordnung, 1550.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The Scripture Lesson

After the singing the **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and say:*

Hear the Word of God as it is recorded in the First Epistle of Peter, the first chapter, beginning at the third verse:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who according to His great mercy begat us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

Unto an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

Who by the power of God are guarded through faith unto a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, ye have been put to grief in manifold trials,

That the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold that perisheth though it is proved by fire, may be found unto praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ:

Whom not having seen ye love; on Whom, though now ye see Him not, yet believing, ye rejoice greatly with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

The Apostles' Creed

The **Minister** *and the* **Congregation** *shall then make the following Confession of Faith:*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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An **Anthem** *in harmony with the Day may here be sung. Then shall follow one or more verses of a* **Hymn** *as an introduction to the Sermon. In the meantime the* **Minister** *shall enter the Pulpit.*

The Sermon

The Sermon shall conclude with the following prayer:

Lord God, Heavenly Father! Thou hast delivered up Thy Son for our trespasses, and raised Him for our justification. We pray Thee, grant us Thy Holy Spirit, that through Him Thou mayest govern and direct us, keep us in the true faith and deliver us from sin, and finally at the last day raise us unto eternal life. Amen.

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Then shall the **Congregation** *sing a* **Hymn,** *during which the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar.*

The Salutation

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*

The **Congregation** *shall rise and sing:*

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The **Minister** *shall then turn to the Altar and with the* **Congregation** *pray:*

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Benedicamus

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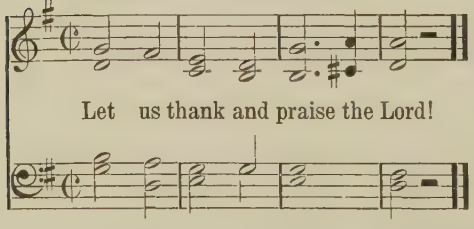

The **Congregation** *shall sing:*

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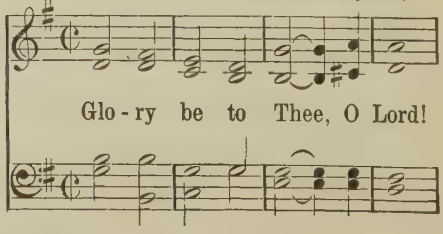

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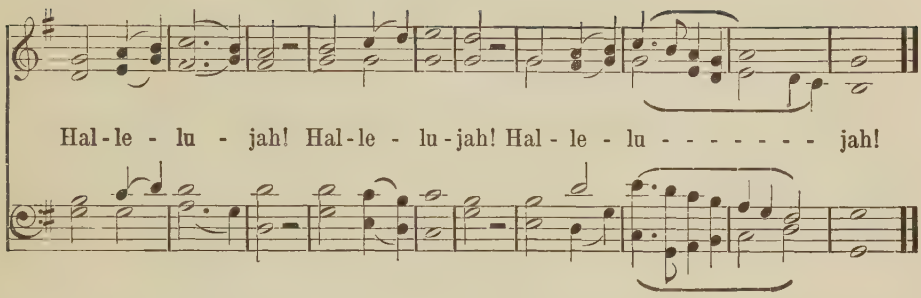

Instead of the Benedicamus the following may be sung or read:

Jehovah hath established His throne in the heavens; and His kingdom ruleth over all. Bless Jehovah, ye His angels, that are mighty in strength, that fulfil His Word, hearkening unto the voice of His Word. Bless Jehovah, all ye His hosts, ye ministers of His, that do His pleasure. Bless Jehovah, all ye His works, in all places of His dominion: Bless Jehovah, O my soul. (Psalm 103. 19—22.)

Then shall the **Minister** *say:*

Bow your hearts to God and receive the Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

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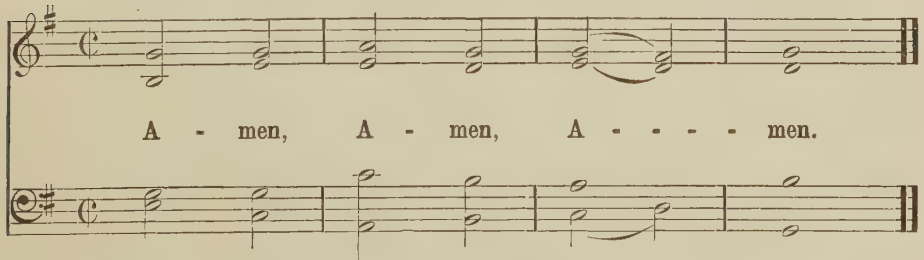

The Service shall close with silent prayer, while the **Congregation** *remains standing and the* **Minister** *kneels before the Altar.*

Vespers

The Service shall begin with an appropriate **Hymn.** *During the singing the* **Minister** *shall proceed to the Altar and kneel in prayer. After the singing he shall rise, turn to the Congregation, and say:*

Grace be unto you and peace from God, our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker, for He is our God.

The Confession of Sins

The **Minister,** *turning to the Altar, shall kneel and pray:*

Merciful God, Heavenly Father, Whose grace endureth from generation to generation, Thou art patient and longsuffering and forgivest the sins and transgressions of all who truly repent. Look with compassion upon Thy people and hear their supplications. We have sinned against Thee. We are unworthy of Thy goodness and love. Remember not our transgressions; have mercy upon us; help us, O God, our Saviour. Grant us remission of all our sins and save us. Give us the grace of Thy Holy Spirit that we may amend our ways and with Thee obtain everlasting life; through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The **Minister,** *rising and turning to the Congregation, shall say:*

If we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Gloria Patri

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and the* **Congregation** *shall rise and sing:*

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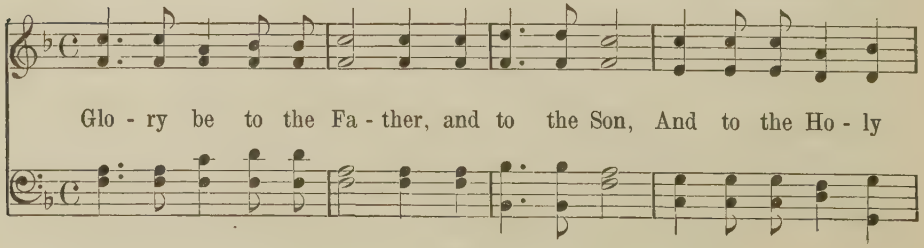

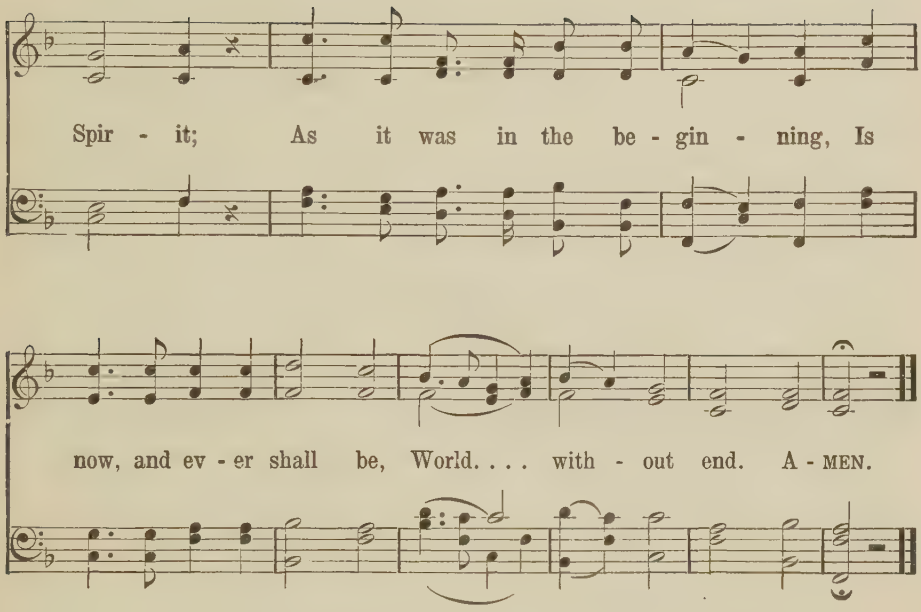

The Scripture Lesson

After the singing the **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and say:*

Hear the Word of God as it is recorded in the.....

The **Minister** *and* **Congregation** *shall then make their Confession of Faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed or of the Nicene Creed.*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By Whom all things were made; Who, for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

An **Anthem** *may here be sung. Then shall follow one or more verses of a* **Hymn** *as an introduction to the Sermon. In the meantime the* **Minister** *shall enter the Pulpit.*

The Sermon

The Sermon shall conclude with the following prayer:

We praise Thee, O God, that Thou hast permitted Thy Word to dwell richly among us to the salvation and building up of our souls on our most holy faith. Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the gift of Thy Son, Who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification. We thank Thee that Thou hast permitted the message of this great salvation to come to us through the Gospel. We pray Thee, grant us a living faith in Christ, a fervent love to Thee and to our fellow men, and a blessed hope through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

The **Church Notices** *may then be given. The Pulpit Office shall conclude with the following:*

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

Then shall an **Offertory** *be played, or an* **Anthem** *sung, during which the offering shall be made. The* **Minister,** *having received the offering, shall place it upon the Altar and pray as follows:*

O God, Thou Giver of all good gifts, graciously receive and bless this offering, which we Thy people place upon Thine Altar, for Jesus' sake. Amen.*

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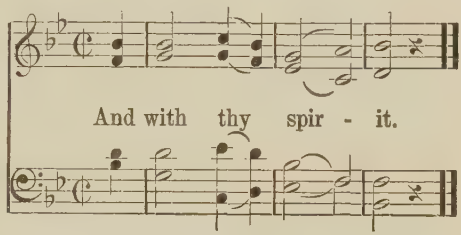

Lenten Season

The **Minister:**

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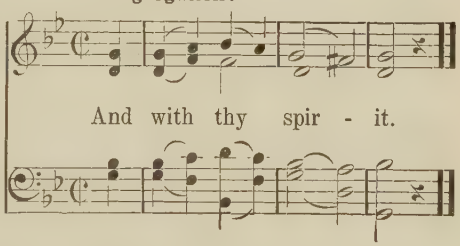

Then the **Minister** *shall say:*

Let us pray.

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar and pray:*

Watch over us, O Lord, our heavenly Father, and protect us from all evil, and grant that we may this night rest secure under Thy care. Preserve and bless Thy Church and our Government. Graciously remember the sick and those who are in need or in peril. Have mercy upon all men. And when our last evening shall come, grant us to fall asleep in Thy peace and to awake in Thy glory, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord.

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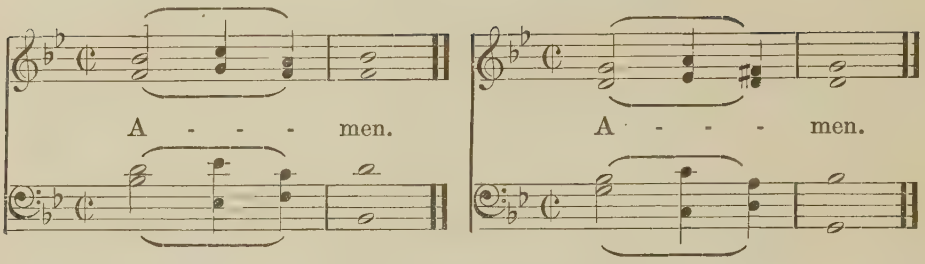
*A short offertory sentence (see pp. 554, 555) may then be sung by the Choir.

The **Congregation** *shall sing:*

Lenten Season.



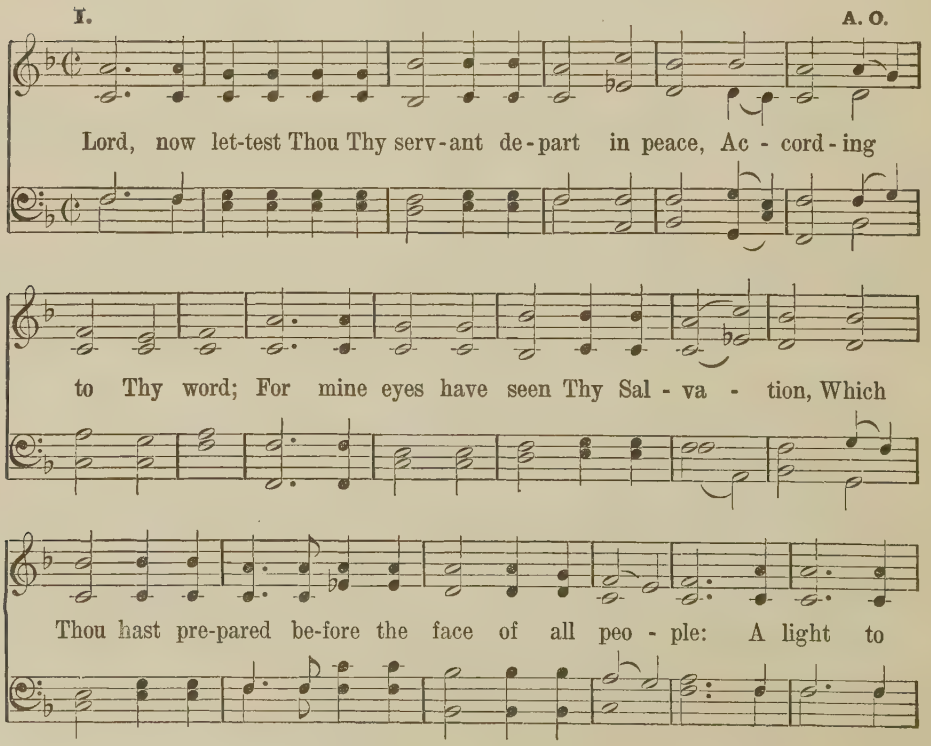
The Lord's Prayer

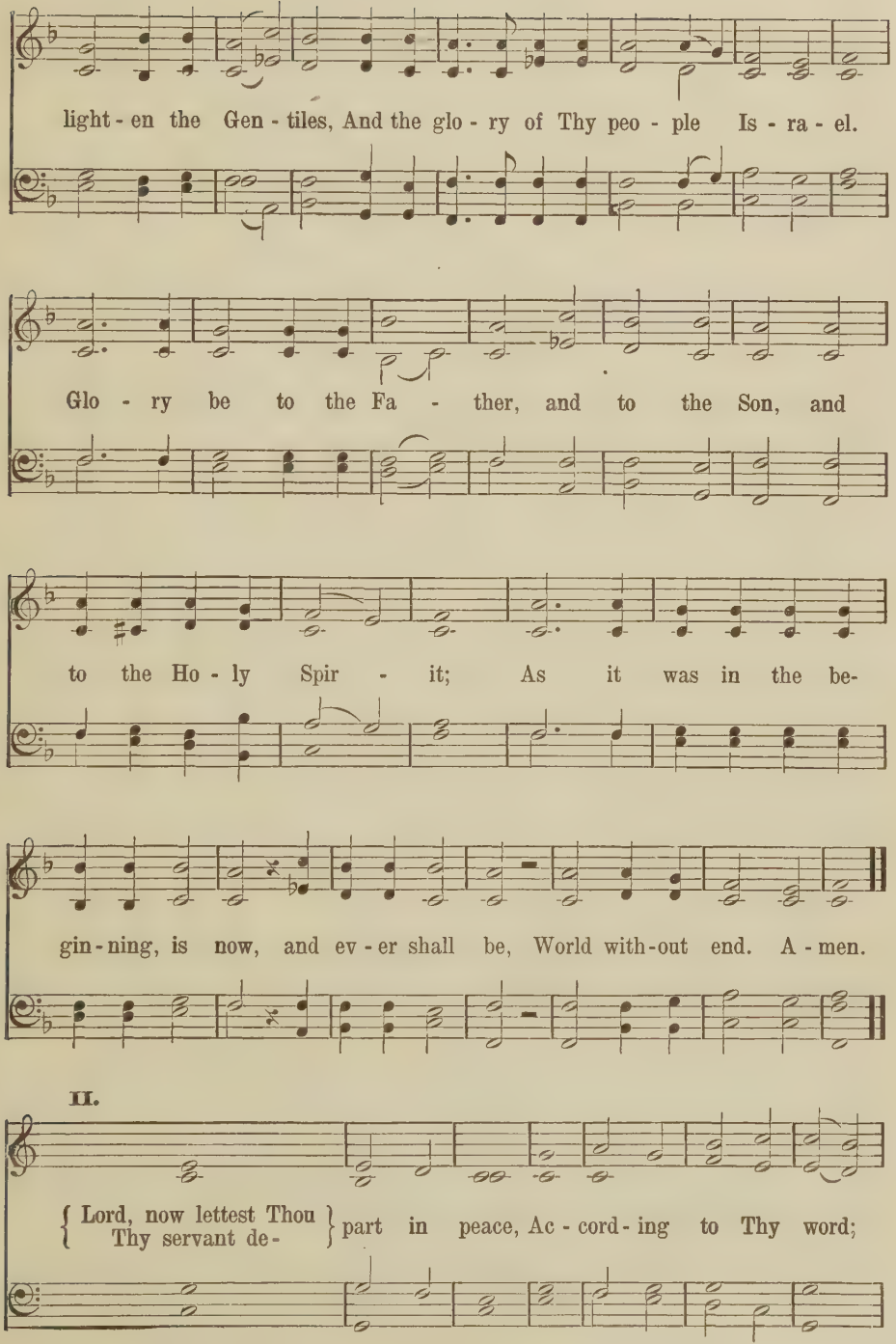
The **Congregation** *shall unite with the* **Minister** *in the Lord's Prayer:*

Our Father, Who art in heaven: Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

Then shall be sung the Nunc Dimittis:


I.
A. O.
Lord, now let-test Thou Thy serv-ant de-part in peace, Ac - cord - ing
to Thy word; For mine eyes have seen Thy Sal - va - tion, Which
Thou hast pre-pared be-fore the face of all peo - ple: A light to


light - en the Gen - tiles, And the glo - ry of Thy peo - ple Is - ra - el.
Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and
to the Ho - ly Spir - it; As it was in the be-
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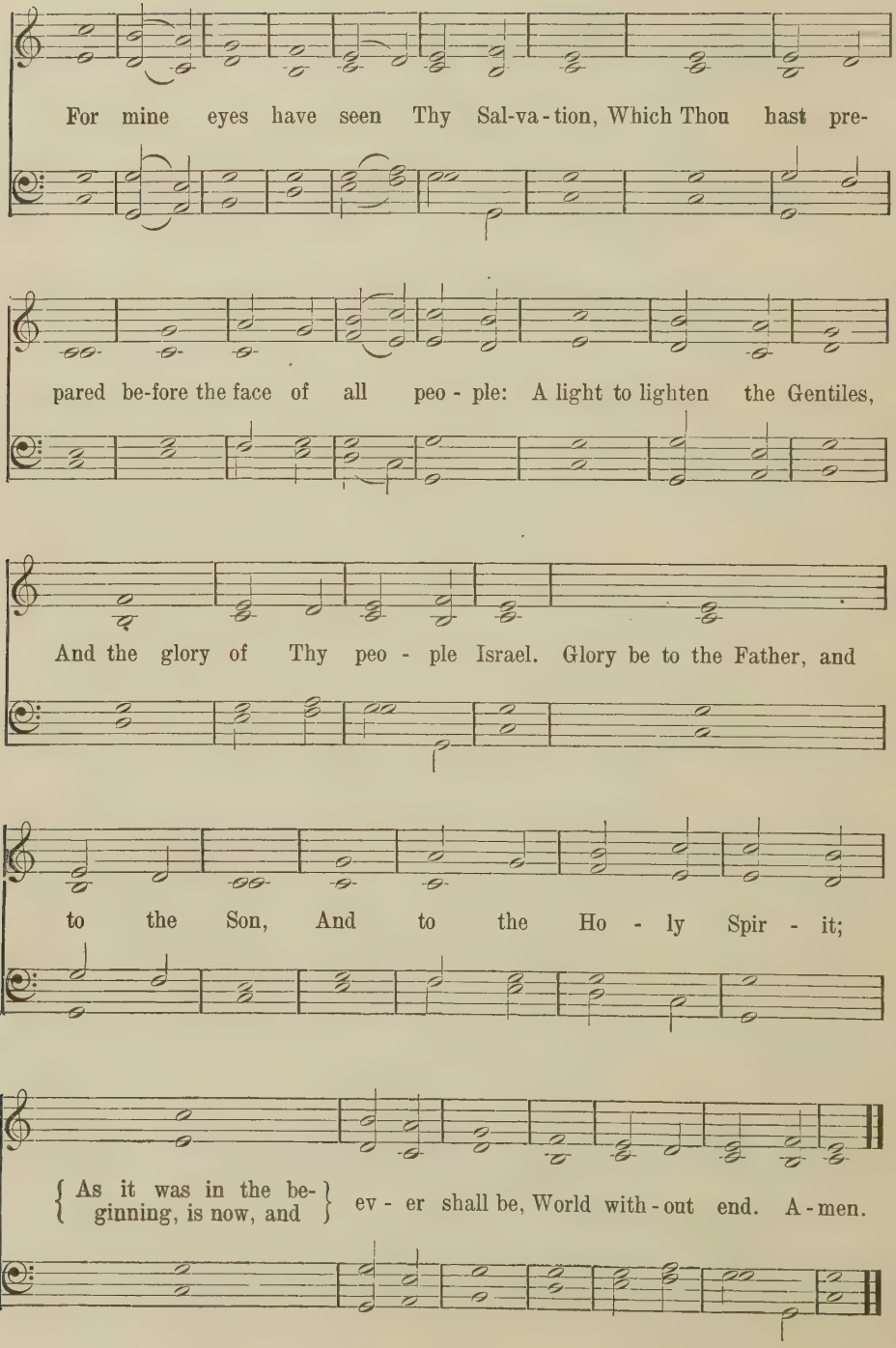
{ Lord, now lettest Thou / Thy servant de- } part in peace, Ac - cord - ing to Thy word;


For mine eyes have seen Thy Sal-va-tion, Which Thou hast pre-
pared be-fore the face of all peo - ple: A light to lighten the Gentiles,
And the glory of Thy peo - ple Israel. Glory be to the Father, and
to the Son, And to the Ho - ly Spir - it;
As it was in the be-
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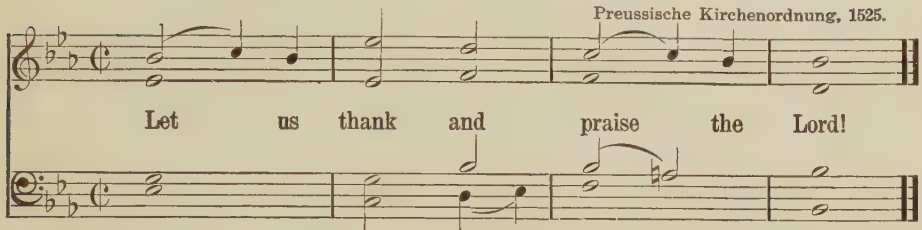
Instead of the Nunc Dimittis the following may be used:

Benedicamus

Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Seasons.

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*

Preussische Kirchenordnung, 1525.



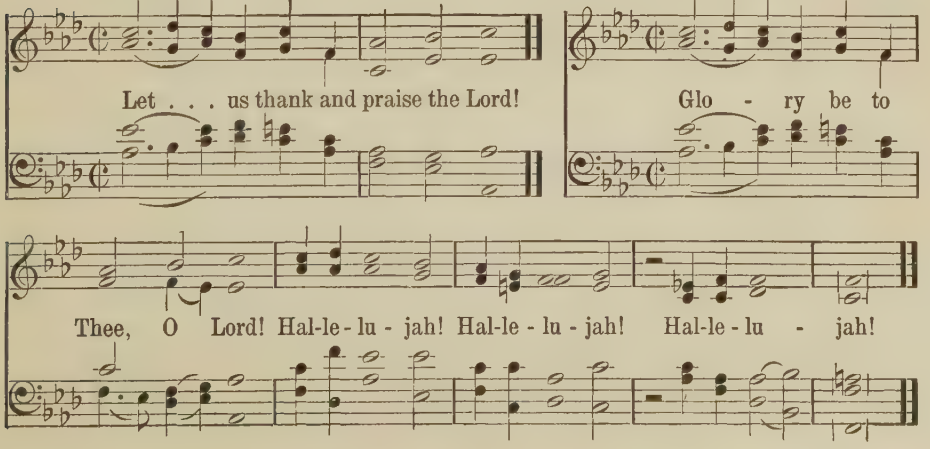
The **Congregation** *shall sing:*

Lenten Season.

The **Minister:**

The **Congregation:**

Nürnberger Agende, 1639.



Easter and Pentecost Seasons.

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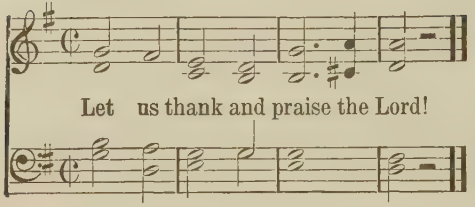
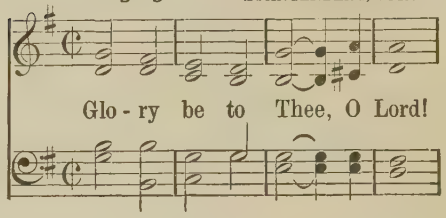
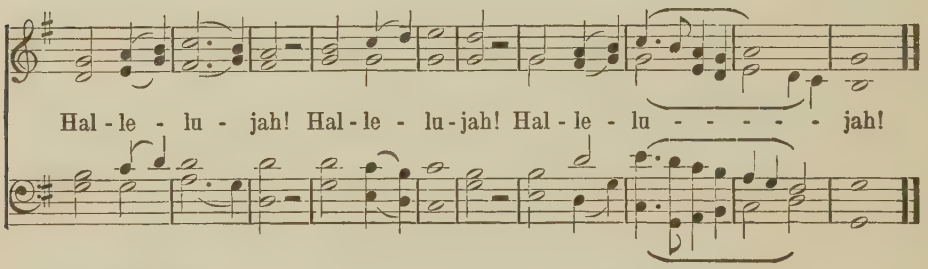


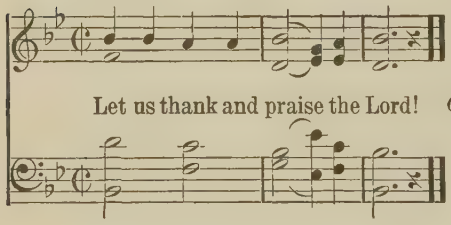
The **Congregation:** SPANGENBERG, 1545.





Trinity Season.

The **Minister:**



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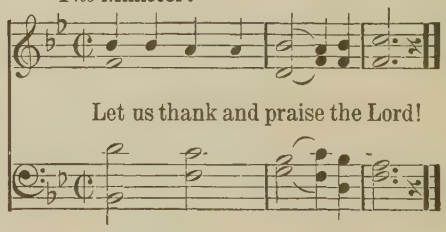

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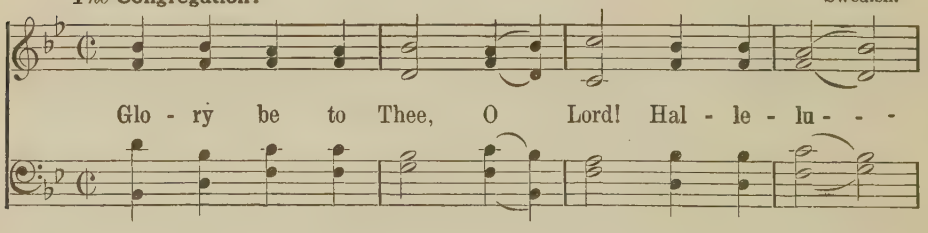
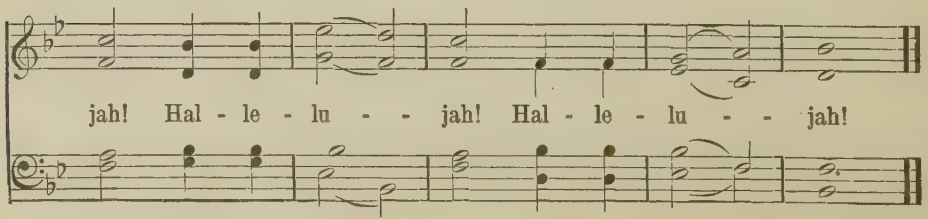




The Benediction

Then shall the **Minister** *say:*

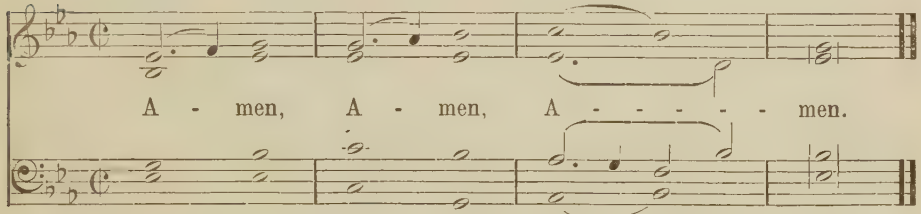
Bow your hearts to God, and receive the Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar, and the* **Congregation** *shall sing:*

Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Seasons.



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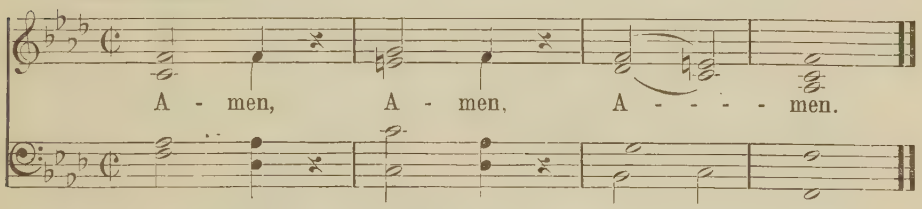

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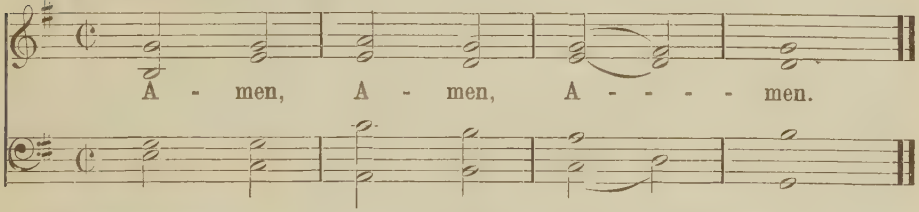

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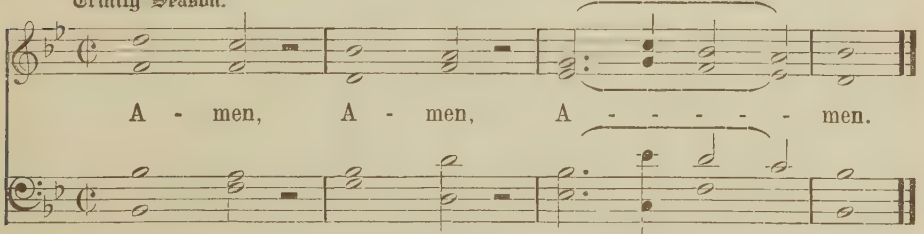


The Service shall close with silent prayer, while the **Congregation** *remains standing and the* **Minister** *kneels before the Altar.*

The Litany
and
Prayers on Special Occasions

Instead of the **General Prayer** *the* **Litany** *shall be used during* **Lent,** *on Sunday* **Rogate,** *and on special occasions.*

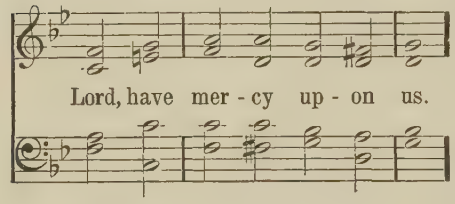
The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar and say the following prayers. The* **Congregation,** *standing, shall sing or say the responses.*

From J. SPANGENBERG, 1545.

The **Minister:**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

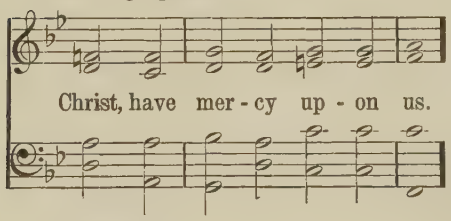
The **Congregation:**



The **Minister:**

Christ, have mercy upon us.

The **Congregation:**



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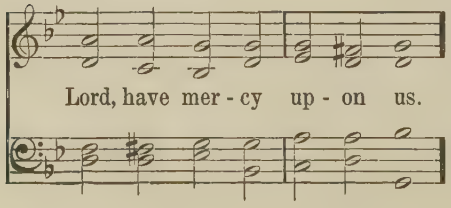
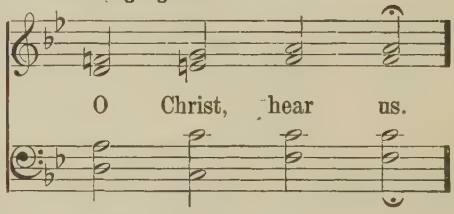


The **Minister:**

O Christ, hear us.

The **Congregation:**



The **Minister:**

O God, the Father in heaven;

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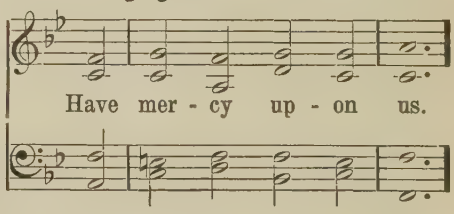
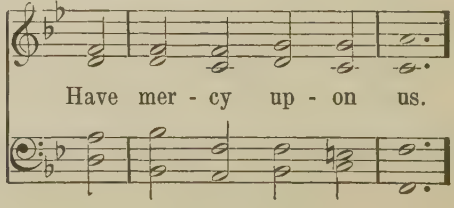


The **Minister:**

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world;

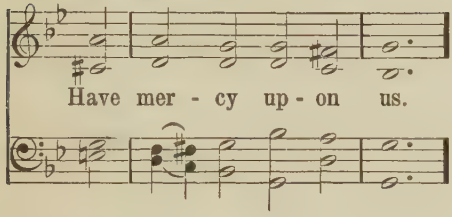
The **Congregation:**



The **Minister:**

O God, the Holy Spirit;

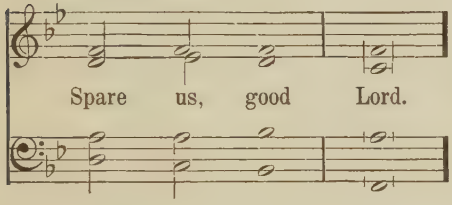
The **Congregation:**



The **Minister:**

Be gracious unto us.

The **Congregation:**



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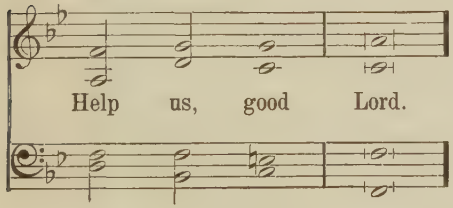
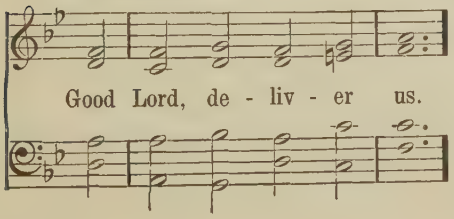


The **Minister:**

From all sin;
From all error;
From all evil:

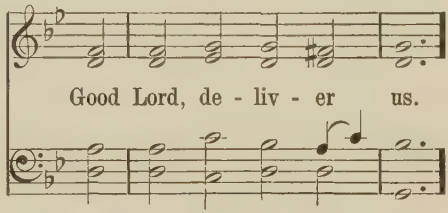
The **Congregation:**



The **Minister:**

From the crafts and assaults of the devil;
From sudden and evil death;
From pestilence and famine;
From war and bloodshed;
From sedition and rebellion;
From lightning and tempest;
From all calamity by fire and water;
And from everlasting death:

The **Congregation:**



The **Minister:**

By the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation;
By Thy holy Nativity;
By Thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation;
By Thine Agony and Bloody Sweat;
By Thy Cross and Passion;
By Thy precious Death and Burial;
By Thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension;
And by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

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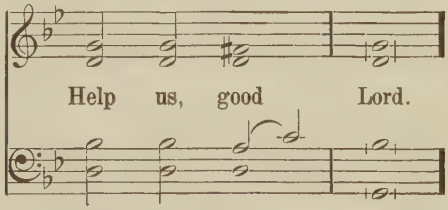

The **Minister:**

In all time of our tribulation;
In all time of our prosperity;
In the hour of our death;
And in the day of judgment:]

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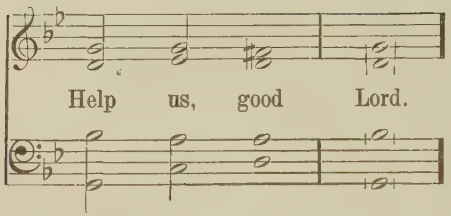
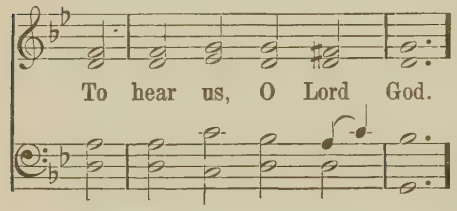


The **Minister:**

We poor sinners do beseech Thee;

The **Congregation:**



The **Minister:**

And to lead and govern Thy holy Christian Church in the right way;

To preserve all pastors and ministers of Thy Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Thy Word, and in holiness of life;

To put an end to all schisms and causes of offence;

To bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

To beat down Satan under our feet;

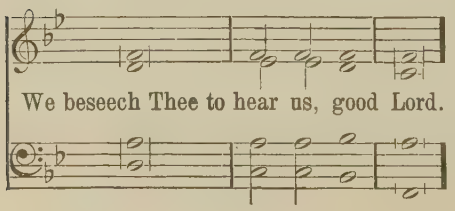
To send faithful laborers into Thy harvest;

To accompany Thy Word with all Thy Spirit and grace;

To raise up them that fall, and to strengthen such as do stand;

And to comfort and help the weak-hearted and the distressed:

The **Congregation:**



The **Minister:**

To give to all nations peace and concord;

To preserve our country from discord and contention;

To safeguard our nation against all its adversaries;

To direct and defend our President, and all in authority;

And to bless and keep our magistrates and all our people:

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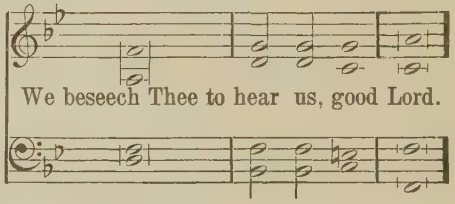

The **Minister:**

To behold and succor all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

To protect all who travel by land or water;

To preserve all women in the perils of child-birth;

To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children;

To set free all who are innocently imprisoned;

To defend and provide for all fatherless children and widows;

And to have mercy upon all men:

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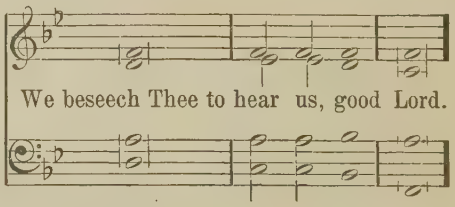

The **Minister:**

To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

To give and preserve to our use the fruits of the earth;

And graciously to hear our prayers:

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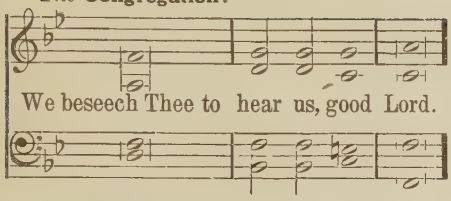

The **Minister:**

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God;

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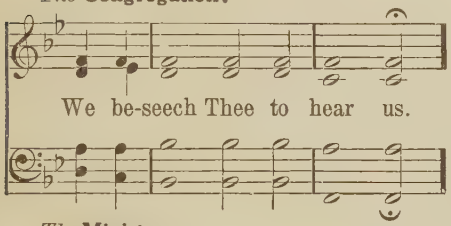

The **Minister:**

O Lamb of God, That takest away the sin of the world;

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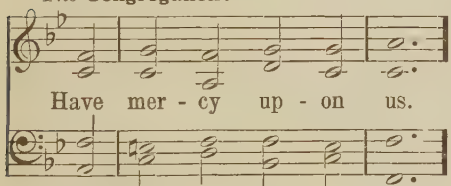

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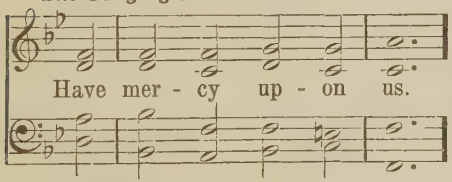

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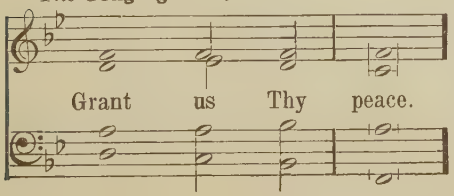

The **Minister:**

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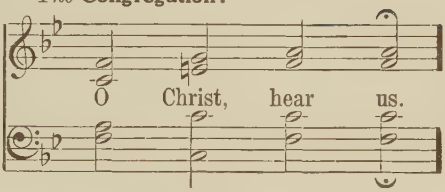

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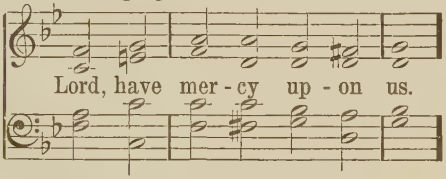

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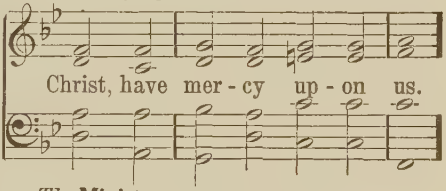

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Lord, have mercy upon us.

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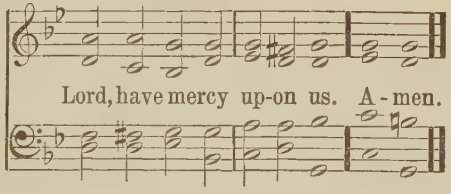


Then shall the **Minister,** *and the* **Congregation** *with him, say the Lord's Prayer:*

Our Father, Who art in heaven: Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Burial Service

I. Service at the House

When a brief service is held at the House before going to the Church or to the Grave, a Hymn may be sung, followed by a Prayer or a Collect.

II. Service at the Church

The Service shall begin with an appropriate **Hymn**.
Then shall be read from the Altar one or more of the following Scripture selections:

Psalm 130; Psalm 90; 1 Th. 4. 13–18; 1 Cor. 15. 12–26, 35–38; John 11. 21–27; Luke 7. 11–15; Matt. 9. 18, 19, 23–26.

Then the **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar and pray:*

Almighty and Everlasting God, Who by Thy Son hast promised us forgiveness of sin and deliverance from everlasting death: Strengthen us, we beseech Thee, by Thy Holy Spirit, that our trust in Thy grace in Christ Jesus may daily increase. Grant that with sure confidence we may hold fast the blessed hope that we shall not die, but only sleep, and at the last day be raised up unto eternal life, through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

Then shall be sung a **Hymn** *or an* **Anthem,** *after which shall follow the* **Sermon.**

The Sermon

After the Sermon the **Minister** *shall pray as follows:*

O Lord God, heavenly Father, Thou Who didst not spare Thine only-begotten Son, but hast given Him for us all: We most heartily thank Thee that through His burial our graves have been hallowed as places of rest. Grant us, we pray Thee, that He may so abide in our hearts that after the sufferings of this present time we may rest in peace, looking for a blessed resurrection: through the same Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

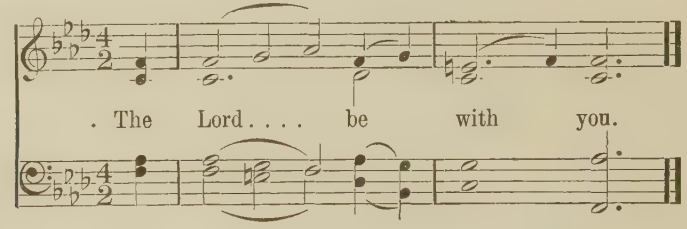
The Church Service may close with a **Hymn.**

Or, it may conclude with the **Altar Service** *which follows.*

Or, when the Body is committed in the Church, the **Service at the Grave**, *as far as the Benediction, is read at this point, concluding with the Lord's Prayer.*

The Salutation

A short **Hymn** *is then sung, during which the* **Minister** *proceeds to the Altar. The singing ended, the* **Minister** *shall turn to the Congregation and sing or say:*



The **Congregation** *shall sing:*

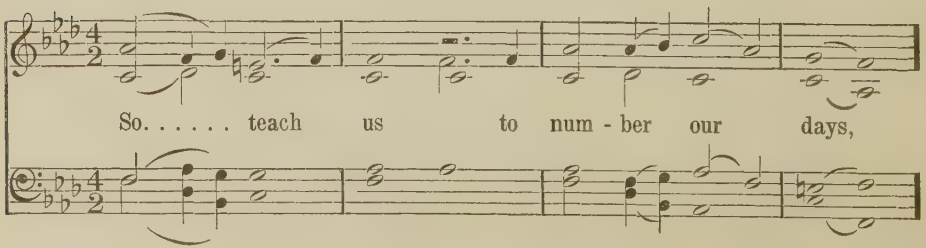
The **Minister** *shall turn to the Altar and say the following prayer:*

O Lord God, Who, on account of sin, turnest man to destruction, so teach us to number our days, that we may get us a heart of wisdom. Grant us a true faith in Thy Son, Jesus Christ, Who was delivered up for our trespasses, and was raised for our justification, and liveth forever. Give us grace to die daily from sin and so to live in accordance with Thy holy will, that in the hour of death we may be prepared for a blessed departure. Receive then our souls unto Thyself, and suffer our bodies, when they have rested in their graves, to rise on the last day to everlasting life. Amen.

Then, if it be convenient, one or two of the following burial Antiphons may be sung by the **Minister** *and the* **Congregation:**

Antiphon A

The **Minister:**



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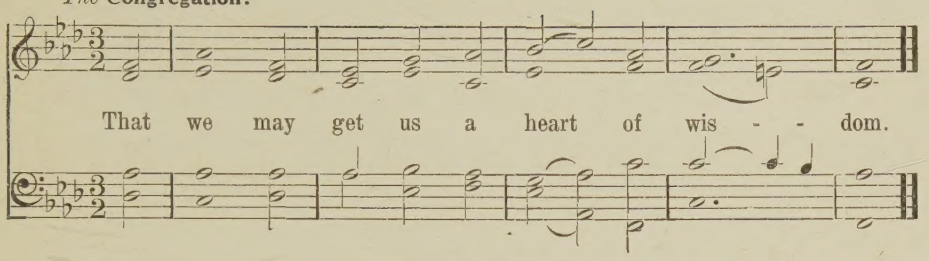
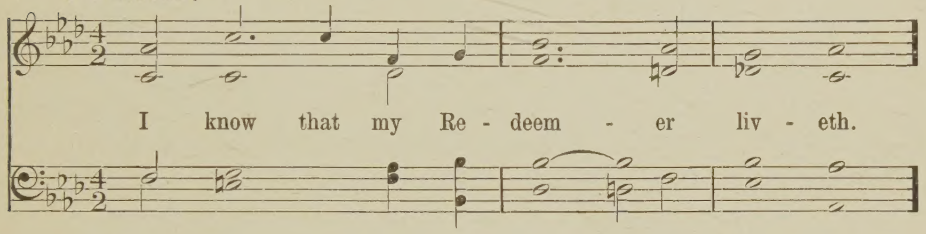


Antiphon B

The **Minister:**



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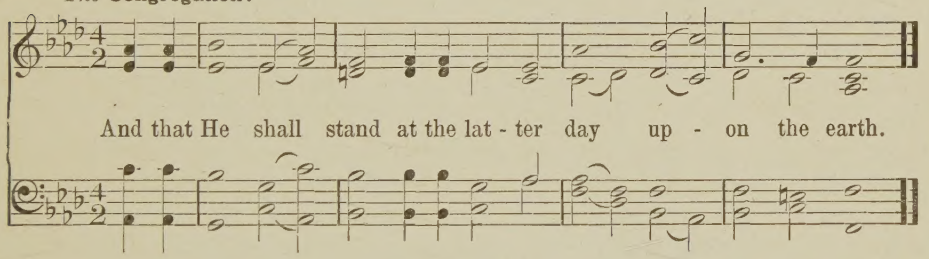

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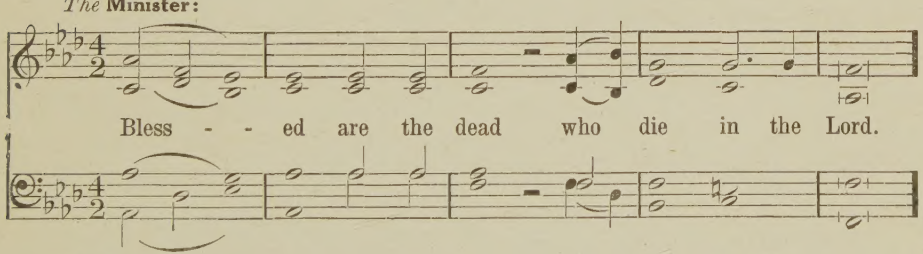

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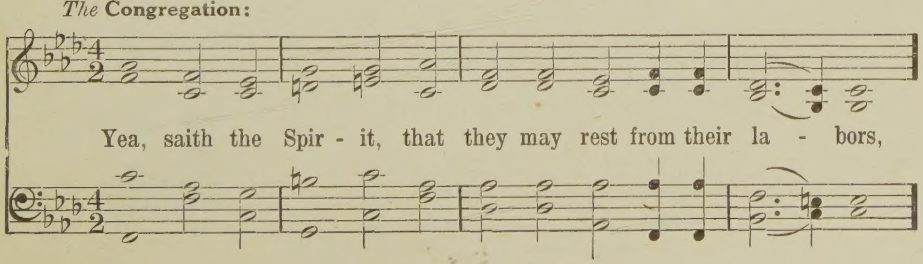

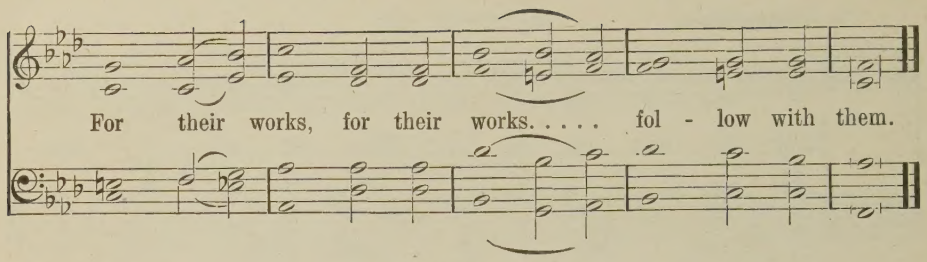

Antiphon D

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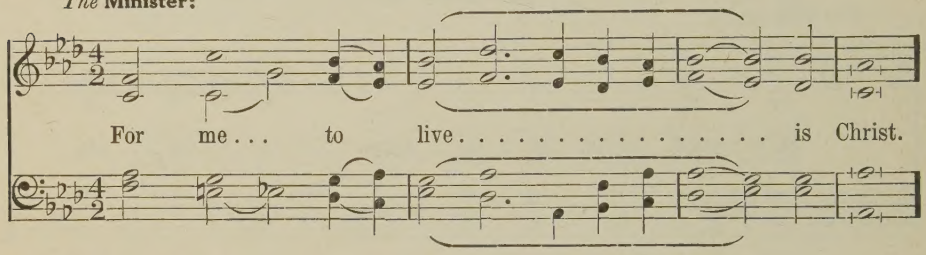

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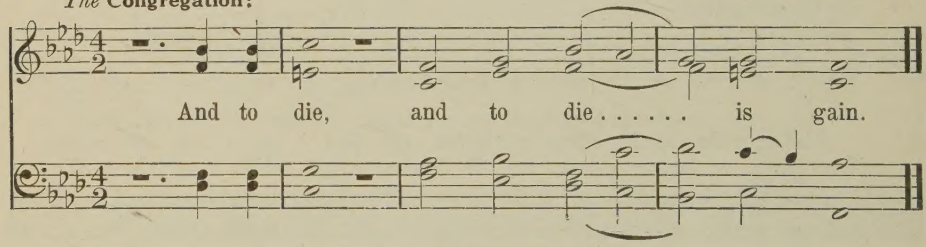

The Benediction

Then shall the **Minister** *say:*

Bow your hearts to God and receive the Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee.
The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.
In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The **Congregation** *shall sing:*